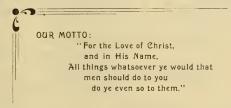
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# **PROCEEDINGS**

OF THE

# FIFTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING

HELD AT

# FIRST METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD, ILL..

OCTOBER 21-28, 1896.

THE Fifteenth Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened in the First Methodist Episcopal Church, Springfield, Ill., Wednesday morning, October 21st, at ten o'clock. The church was beautifully decorated with plants and flowers, and the motto, "For the Love of Christ, and in His Name," appeared above the pulpit. The President, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, announced the devotional exercises in charge of Mrs. B. S. Potter, of Bloomington, Ill. After the hymn, "How firm a foundation," was sung, the fifteenth chapter of John was read by Mrs. Potter, and all hearts united in the fervent petitions offered by Mrs. W. G. Williams, Mrs. C. L. Roach, and Mrs. Potter, for God's blessing upon the members and work of the Society, and for a special blessing upon our loved Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. R. S. Rust, and that devoted and honored servant of the Church, Rev. R. S. Rust, D. D. Brief testimonies followed. during which Mrs. Fisk referred to the serious accident that befell her while on her journey to California last winter, and her belief that the preservation of her life was with a view to the service she might be able to render in the future.

In calling the general officers of the Society to the platform, the President, Mrs. Fisk, stated that Mrs. W. C. Herron, of Cincinnati, O., would represent the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Rust; and Mrs. W. G. Williams, of Delaware, O., would represent the Treasurer, Mrs. J. W. Mendenhall.

The Recording Secretary, Mrs. F. A. Aiken, called the roll of the Conferences, beginning with the final letter of the alphabet, and the delegates made choice of seats.

Mrs Aiken nominated Mrs. E. L. Albright, Toledo, Ohio; Mrs. B. S. Potter, Bloomington, Ill.; Miss Martha Van Marter, East Orange, N. J.; and Mrs. T. J. Everett, New Bedford, Mass., as Assistant Secretaries, and, on motion, they were confirmed.

Mr. M. U. Woodruff, mayor of Springfield, was introduced, and, on behalf of the city, welcomed the Society, because its mission is to do good, not for themselves, but for all mankind. He was pleased to welcome a society which knows no sectional lines, no North, no East, no South, no West, and, while it has no political bias, is American. He reminded the Convention that it met in sight of a monument that marks the resting-place of Abraham Lincoln, the greatest missionary of the age—a man whose single act gave temporal salvation to over five million souls.

The Rev. W. A. Smith, presiding elder of the Springfield District, in a happy address, showed the ladies that, in this central city of this central State, all good things have centered themselves and are now ready to be diffused in kindly offices to this body.

In welcoming the ladies, Rev. F. A. Havighorst, pastor of the Church, stated that, while his own residence in this city had been very short, he had seen much of its hospitality, and that, while it had been heavily taxed of late by numerous Conventions, he felt sure that the membership of the Church stood ready to welcome those who came in the name of Christ. He believed that they would receive in return more than they gave; that our coming here, after a year of unusual struggle with financial difficulties, to relate experience and to renew consecration, would kindle enthusiasm and enlist new workers in this home-field of mixed population, in which so many strange, subtle, almost diabolical influences are operating.

Mrs. S. A. Bullard welcomed the ladies to the homes of the city, saying: "We have planned and labored harmoniously and enthusiastically, hoping that the greatest good may be achieved with the greatest possible ease to yourselves, and if we fail in this, it will be a failure of the head, not of the heart; that while much is now being said of the new woman, our work is not new. It began with the Savior's injunction, 'Go, tell;' was kept in remembrance by Paul, when he wrote, 'Help those women who labored with me;' and has been continued ever since by women who have been laboring to bring the world to Christ."

Mrs. Fisk introduced her daughter, Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, as chosen by others to respond to these addresses of welcome.

Mrs. Park congratulated the Society on the privilege of meeting in a city of such wide-reaching influence, because here had lived, and now lies buried, a man who had exemplified the truth that only the highest consecration to duty can spiritualize character, refine statesmanship, and make a life so great that men everywhere crown it with immortal honor. She declared the work of the Society to be as broad as the country, its aim as high as its noblest aspirations, and as true as the greatest souls that have served her. Its chosen field is the home. "The Lord has set the solitary in families" is a divine condition for man, and the supreme social development is around a Christian hearthstone, and the purpose of this Society is to carry the gospel of Christ in loving ministry to every heart and home, as the divinest possible gift of love.

After a beautiful vocal solo, "O, loving heart, trust on," by Miss Belle

Campbell, the report of the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. R. S. Rust, was read by Mrs. W. C. Herron, who called attention to this fresh proof of devotion on the part of Mrs. Rust, who, in a time of great physical suffering, had so carefully prepared this paper, and who was absent from the Annual Meeting for the first time in the history of the Society. (See Report.)

Mrs. Potter moved that a telegram be sent Mrs. Rust, expressing the sympathy of this body with her in this time of suffering. Carried.

Mrs. Fisk and Mrs. Aiken were constituted the Committee to Send Telegram.

Mrs. Roach moved to accept and publish the report of the Corresponding Secretary immediately. In the discussion which followed, questions were asked as to whether the acceptance of the report was an acceptance of the recommendations included in it, and the reply was given in the negative. Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson's call for a division of the question was granted, and a motion to accept prevailed.

Mrs. Fisk stated that Mrs. Rust had said that she did not desire the immediate publication of her report.

A discussion of the recommendations followed, and it was decided to postpone further consideration until the afternoon session.

Mrs. Roach moved that the Chair appoint a Special Committee of three, of which Mrs. Fisk should be Chairman, to convey to Mrs. Rust a message of thanks and appreciation for this most carefully prepared report, and Ladies Fisk, Aiken, and Roach were named as this Committee.

Mrs. Fisk announced that the time for the noontide of prayer had come during the reading of the Corresponding Secretary's report, when an interruption would have been unwise, and she now asked the Convention to unite with her in silent prayer.

One stanza of "Help me to watch and pray" was sung, and the Convention adjourned to meet at two o'clock in the afternoon.

# Wednesday Afternoon.

THE meeting opened promptly at two o'clock, with the President, Mrs. Fisk, in the chair.

Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson, of the Central Pensylvania Conference, conducted the devotional exercises, and read Romans xiii, 8-14, laying special stress upon the words, "Owe no man anything, but to love one another."

The Minutes of the morning session were read by Mrs. Albright, corrected, and adopted.

Mrs. M. C. Hickman, of Cleveland, O., called up the question before the house at the close of the morning session, and moved, seconded by Mrs. Green, that a Committee be appointed to consider the recommendation of the Corresponding Secretary relating to the provisional changes in

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the Constitution, naming as a Committee, to which others might be added, Mrs. T. J. Everett, Mrs. Tomkinson, and Mrs. W. G. Williams.

Mrs. Herron stated that, at the request of Mrs. Rust, the attorney for the Society would send to this body his written opinion of the validity of such provisional changes as are recommended, and that printed copies of these proposed changes would be, at an early date, placed in the hands of the delegates.

Mrs. Roach offered, as a substitute, that all discussion upon the question be deferred until we hear from the Corresponding Secretary through our attorney.

Motion to consider the substitute carried, and the substitute was adopted.

The President, Mrs. Fisk, in calling for the report of the Treasurer, Mrs. J. W. Mendenhall, said that our faithful Treasurer had removed her residence to Tacoma, Wash., after virtually closing the work of the fiscal year. Since then, by appointment of the General Executive Board, Mrs. W. G. Williams had kindly discharged the duties of the office.

Mrs. Williams spoke a few appreciative words of the faithful and unselfish services of Mrs. Mendenhall, and stated that Mrs. P. R. Graham, of Delaware, Ohio, had prepared the Treasurer's report, and at the suggestion of the President, introduced Mrs. Graham to the Convention, with the request that she read this report.

The report of the Treasurer was accepted by a rising vote, and all joined heartily in singing the doxology. (See Report.)

Mrs. Aiken moved that a Committee of three be appointed by the Chair to convey to Mrs. Mendenhall our appreciation of her services for the Society. Carried.

Mrs. N. M. Brown, Mrs. Levi Masters, and Mrs. Park were appointed this Special Committee.

Mrs. Aiken, on behalf of the Committee to Send Telegram to Mrs. Rust, submitted the following, which was accepted: "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you."

\* The report of the Auditing Committee was submitted by its Chairman, Mrs. G. H. Thompson, and, on motion, its recommendations were referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mrs. Aiken, in behalf of the General Executive Board, submitted the following recommendations, which were adopted:

First. That Bureau Secretaries, and those entitled to a vote at the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers under the new Constitution, as proposed, be given the preference in filling vacancies in Conference representation at the Annual Meeting.

Second. That the Treasurer hereafter have the services of a regularly-trained book-keeper, and that our accounts be kept in double-entry book-keeping.

Mrs. Roach moved that Mrs. A. F. Beiler represent the South Carolina, Mrs. D. B. Street the West Virginia, and Mrs. V. G. Daniels the Washington Conferences.

It was, on motion, determined to refer all nominations of this character to the Committee on Credentials.

The Standing Committees were appointed as follows:

Credentials.-Mrs. W. G. Williams, Mrs. John Secor, and Mrs. Geo. H. Thompson.

Enrollment.-Mrs. M. R. Crawford and Mrs. A. J. Bigelow.

Place of Meeting.-Mrs. John Neff, Mrs. Geo. O. Robinson, and Mrs. Price A. Crow.

Resolutions.-Mrs. Samuel Hazlett, Mrs. S. W. Floyd, and Mrs. C. W. Gallagher.

By-laws.-Mrs. E. B. Green, Mrs. C. W. Bickley, Mrs. May L. Woodruff, Mrs. T. J. Everett, and Mrs. Anna Kent.

Church Press .- Mrs. C. H. Carhart.

Finance and Mission-fields.—As provided by the By-law, with Mrs. D. B. Street, Mrs. J. O. Shaw, Mrs. M. K. Hall, Mrs. M. A. Rulison, and Mrs. W. E. Griffin.

The report of the publisher of Woman's Home Missions and Children's Home Missions was presented by Mrs. H. C. McCabe, and, on motion, accepted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Aiken submitted the program and order of exercises as arranged by the Special Committee, which, on motion of Mrs. M. R. Crawford, became the order of business for the Convention.

Mrs. Roach, of the Special Committee to prepare resolutions expressive of our appreciation of the long and faithful services of Mrs. Rust, for the Society, submitted the following:

WHEREAS, Our beloved Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. R. S. Rust, the mother of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, is, for the first time since its organization, absent from the Annual Meeting; and WHEREAS, She has for all these years given to us the best of her life,

and with untiring devotion, by day and night, has labored to advance its work until from small beginnings our Society has reached its present mag-

nitude; therefore, be it

Resolved. That we express to her our sorrow at her absence and the loss we each one feel, and that we extend to her, and her devoted husband and our dear friend, Rev. R. S. Rust, D. D., our tenderest sympathy in these days of sore trial, and pray that God may lay his healing hand upon our dear sister, and speedily restore her to active work. And we pray that if it is God's will, the little grandson, now so ill, may be spared to their home.

\*Resolved\*, That these resolutions be entered upon the Minutes of this Society, and a copy be sent at once to our dear Corresponding Secretary.

Mrs. C. W. Bickley, of Philadelphia, moved that the word "Mother" be stricken from the resolutions, and the word "Founder" substituted. Motion lost.

On motion, the resolutions as read were adopted by a rising vote.

Miss Van Marter called attention to the leaflets, the Thank-offering program, and the map of Alaska, and urged the ladies to furnish themselves with these aids for work.

The doxology was sung, the Lord's Prayer was repeated, and the Convention adjourned until 7.30 P. M.

# Wednesday Evening.

THE Meeting was promptly opened at 7.30 o'clock by the President, Mrs. Fisk. The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. T. J. Everett, of New England Southern Conference.

The Minutes of the afternoon meeting, were read by Mrs. Potter, corrected, and adopted.

Mrs. E. S. Schrock, President of the auxiliary of First M. E. Church, Springfield, presented a beautiful gavel from the ladies of her Church to the ladies of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. The gavel was made from the wood of a tree planted by the hands of Abraham Lincoln. Mrs. Schrock expressed the hope that the good work done by this Society might be as enduring as is the fame of this great and good man.

Mrs. Fisk, on behalf of the Society received the gavel, and responded in a few happy remarks, which were followed by the singing of "My

country, 't is of thee."

A solo, beautifully rendered, was sung by Miss Eva Cross, after which Mrs. Anna F. Beiler, of Washington, D. C., Secretary of the Bureau for Alaska, submitted her report, which was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Roach offered a resolution petitioning the General Executive Board to send Mrs. Beiler to visit Unalaska, which, on motion, was referred to the General Executive Board.

Mrs. James Dale, Secretary of the Bureau for Supplies, gave her report, which was adopted. (See Report.)

The doxology was sung, and the benediction pronounced by Rev. Mr. Havighorst.

# Thursday Morning.

THE devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. D. E. Taylor, of Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. Fisk, the President, occupied the chair.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Miss Van Marter, and adopted.

Mrs. M. C. Hickman gave notice of a proposed change in By-law 10, Section 11, with the view to dividing the work of the Bureau for West Southern States.

On motion of Mrs. Williams, Mrs. M. T. Carey and Mrs. P. R. Graham were constituted a Special Committee on *Woman's Home Missions* and *Children's Home Missions*, to solicit subscriptions during the Convention.

The report of the Editor of Woman's Home Missions was given by Mrs. H. C. McCabe, and the fact that its thirteenth anniversary would occur January 1, 1897, was accentuated. Pending its adoption, the President, Mrs. Fisk, called Mrs. Herron to the chair, while she presented the following resolution, which, on motion, was adopted:

Resolved, That in the December number of Woman's Home Missions, the editor announce that on January 1, 1897, will occur the birthday anni-

versary of Woman's Home Missions, and urge that this occasion be observed, and that an effort be made to increase the number of subscriptions to the paper.

Mrs. Marcy moved that each one present pledge herself by rising to secure as many subscribers as possible before the 1st of January, and forward them to editor of Woman's Home Missions at that date. Carried.

Mrs. I. M. Carver moved that the minimum number of new subscriptions be thirteen Carried.

The report of the Bureau for East Central States was submitted by the Secretary, Mrs. E. L. Albright.

In response to an appeal for \$3,000 in pledges to complete the building now in process of erection at Asheville, N. C., the Central Ohio Conference pledged \$1,000, which immediately called forth triumphant strains of "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow." Other pledges were as follows: North Ohio Conference, \$100; Northern New York, \$100; Erie, \$150; Genesee, \$100; Indiana, \$500; New England Southern, \$100; Cincinnati, \$50; Central Pennsylvania, \$25; Newark, \$50; Wyoming \$50; New England, \$25; Philadelphia, \$25; and Mrs. Fisk, \$50 for unknown friend. Mrs. Fisk also stated that she would furnish a room in memory of her husband. Mrs. G. O. Robinson and Mrs. E. B. Green each promised to furnish a room.

On motion the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The Committee on Resolutions of appreciation of Mrs. Mendenhall's faithful services reported, through Mrs. N. M. Brown, as follows:

Whereas, Our faithful and beloved Treasurer, Mrs. J. W. Mendenhall, has been obliged to change her residence, on account of impaired health, thereby necessitating the relinquishment of the duties pertaining to her office, which she had performed with such fidelity; therefore, be it \*Resolved\*, That we place upon the records of our Society, this expression of deep regret at the cause of her removal, and warmest appreciation

Resolved, That we place upon the records of our Society, this expression of deep regret at the cause of her removal, and warmest appreciation of the valuable service rendered by her to this Society, with the assurance that our prayers shall ascend for the blessing of the Heavenly Father to abide upon her.

On motion, adopted by a rising vote.

Mrs. D. E. Taylor led in singing two stanzas of "Come, thou Fount of every blessing."

The report of the Bureau for Utah was presented by the Secretary, Mrs. B. S. Potter;

Pledges were made for Utah as follows: New York Conference, \$10; Detroit, \$50; Troy, \$50, of which \$10 was given by Mrs. Wm. E. Griffin, of Greenbush, N. V.; New England, \$25; Wyoming, \$50; North Ohio, \$25; Illinois, \$100; Genesee, \$25; Baltimore, \$25; New Jersey, \$25; Iowa, \$25; Central Ohio, \$50; Upper Iowa, \$25; Maine, \$10; Bands of Pittsburg Conference, \$25; and Bands of Philadelphia Conference, \$10.

Mrs. Carver, of California, who, with her husband, was a missionary for seven years in Utah, indorsed all that had been said in the report of the Bureau for Utah, and added that the half had not been told. "Praise God," was sung at the close of these pledges, and, on motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

On motion of Mrs. Roach, Mrs. Beiler was then given time to make an appeal in behalf of the Bureau for Alaska. Mrs. Beiler desired pledges for beneficiaries for the Jesse Lee Home at Unalaska. Baltimore Conference pledged for six; Central Pennsylvania, two; Northwest Iowa, one; Iowa, two; Genesee, one; Pittsburg, one; Troy, one; Wilmington, one; Illinois, one; Detroit, one; Upper Iowa, one; New Hampshire, one; Central Ohio, one; Young People of Cincinnati Conference, one; Minnesota and Northern Minnesota, four; New England, one; Newark, one; Erie, two; Wyoming, one; and Mrs. Fisk, one.

In response to Mrs. Beiler's appeal for Building Fund for Alaska, pledges were made as follows: Baltimore Conference, \$250; North Ohio, \$100; Troy, \$50; New England, \$50; Erie, \$25; Southwest Kansas, \$10; Iowa, \$10; Maine, \$10; North Indiana, \$25; Indiana, \$10; New Hampshire, \$10; Michigan, \$10; Northern New York, \$10; Wilmington, \$10; New Jersey, \$10; New England Southern, \$10; and New York, \$10.

Mrs. J. R. Woodcock, of Nebraska, spoke of two little waifs of Alaska who were found in the sea-weed. Mrs. Spurlock wanted to transfer them to the Mothers' Jewels Home, and raised \$20 through the Junior Leagues of Nebraska to bring them to this Home. She stated that one of the children could not be found, and that the other had died, and asked how she could now secure some Alaskan girls to gratify the desire of the interested Juniors. On motion, her request was referred to the secretary of the Bureau for Alaska.

The noontide of prayer found all heads bowed in silent petition, after which Mrs. Regina B. Van Ness, of Iowa, led in singing "More love to thee, O Christ!"

The report of the Bureau for Indians and Frontier Work was submitted by its Secretary, Mrs. H. C. McCabe. Mrs. McCabe asked for thirty beneficiaries for Stickney Home, and received the following pledges: From Northwest Iowa Conference, one; Central Pennsylvania, one; Troy, two; Iowa, one; New England, one; Illinois, one; Vermont, one; Baltimore, one; Central New York, one; New Castle District, Erie Conference, \$40; the primary Sunday-school class of Kane, Pa., \$25; Erie Conference, \$15; Cincinnati, \$25; and Genesee, conditional pledge for one beneficiary.

Mrs. Potter spoke of her visit to Stickney Home, three years ago, and encouraged the belief that if the Society takes care of this work for a few more years, the surrounding Conferences will soon be ready to assume its responsibility. The report was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Bureau for Texas was given by Mrs. M. C. Hickman, Secretary. The Detroit Conference pledged \$25 towards finishing the third story of King Home, and Mrs. Fisk pledged \$25.

With deep feeling, Mrs. Hickman stated that she would be obliged to elinquish the work of the Bureau.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The President urged the grace of cordiality upon the members of the Convention, and desired to personally make the acquaintance of every woman of the Convention.

Adjourned, until 2 P. M., by singing the doxology.

# Thursday Afternoon.

THE devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Mary Comiskey Bliss.

Mrs. Herron occupied the chair for a few minutes during the absence
of the President, Mrs. Fisk.

The Minutes of the morning session were read by Mrs. Everett, corrected, and adopted.

Mrs. E. L. Albright gave notice of a desired change of Sections 8 and 9 of the By-laws governing Bureaus, in order that Kent Home, Greensboro, N. C., might be transferred to the Bureau for West Central States.

Mrs. Herron introduced Mrs. O. A. Burgess and Miss E. J. Dickinson as fraternal delegates from the National Convention of the Christian Church, now in session at Springfield, representing three Societies—namely, the American Christian Missionary Society, the Christian Woman's Board of Missions, and the Foreign Christian Missionary Society—who spoke earnest words for mission-work at home and abroad, and bade the Woman's Home Missionary Society God-speed in its uplifting endeavor.

The President, Mrs. Fisk, made a fitting response, while rejoicing in the success of the work of our sister denomination.

Copies of the Fourteenth Annual Report of our Society and the last Quadrennial Report were presented these fraternal delegates, and, on motion of Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Herron and Miss Van Marter were delegated to return the greetings of the Board of Managers to the Christian Convention.

Two stanzas of "Blest be the tie that binds" were sung.

Mrs. Williams moved that Mesdames E. B. Green, C. W. Smith, and H. C. Hedges be constituted a Special Committee on Pulpit Supply, and the motion prevailed.

The report of the Bureau for New Mexico and Arizona (Indian) was read by the Secretary, Mrs. E. W. Simpson.

Mrs. Simpson stated that she desired pledges in the interest of her Bureau work; viz., \$300 for an interpreter, \$150 for the Apache Mission, and \$50 for a windmill. The following pledges were made: Troy Conference, per Mrs. Griffin, \$5; Newark, per Mrs. Woodruff, \$25; New Hampshire, per Mrs. Wells, \$5; Central Ohio, per Mrs. M. H. Davis, \$25; Maine, per Mrs. Gallagher, \$10; Illinois, per Mrs. Conklin, \$25; Erie, per Miss Cummings, \$10; Wyoming, per Mrs. Goewey, \$25; North Ohio, per Mrs. Dawson, \$25; and New Jersey, per Mrs. Wells, \$15.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Williams's proposition to send to our Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Rust, a testimonial as a mark of our esteem for her, met with cordial favor, as evidenced in the adoption of the motion that we be permitted to subscribe firty cents apiece for the purchase of one of the rugs displayed as the work of the Navajo women, and the money thus secured be applied to the expense of the windmill.

Names and money quickly followed, as appended: Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Fisk, Mrs. Park, Mrs. Griffin, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Tomkinson, Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Simpson, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Aiken, Mrs. Albright, Miss Van Marter, Miss Wommer, Mrs. Carver, Mrs. McCabe, Mrs. Goodman, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Day, Mrs. Ampt, Mrs. Bickley, Mrs. Kynett, Mrs. Crow, Mrs. Kent, Mrs. Woodruff, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Negus, Mrs. Roach, Mrs. Daniels, Mrs. Neff, Mrs. Street, Mrs. Dale, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Carvy, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Masters, Mrs. Pope, Mrs. Bigelow, Mrs. Herron, Mrs. Beiler, Mrs. Kulp, Mrs. Goewey, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Potter, Mrs. Hadley, Mrs. Bush, Mrs. Brubaker, Mrs. Hedges, Mrs. Woodcock, Mrs. Gallagher, Miss Webster, Mrs. Floyd, Mrs. Tregaskis, Mrs. Everett, Mrs. John Taylor, Mrs. Hazlett, Mrs. Waller, Mrs. Van Ness, Mrs. Marcy, Mrs. Clarke, Mrs. Latimer, Mrs. Ozier, Mrs. Barron, Mrs. Martindale, Mrs. Conklin, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Schmidlapp, Mrs. Andrus, Mrs. Bunyan, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Bailey, Mrs. Hunt, unknown, Mrs. A. T. Wells, and Mrs. G. M. P. Wells.

On motion of Mrs. Hedges, it was decided to order a duplicate of the white rug displayed. The money secured for its purchase, amounting to \$40, was placed in the hands of Mrs. E. W. Simpson.

By request of Mrs. Aiken, Mrs. E. S. Spriggs, San Antonio, Texas, gave, for the enjoyment of all, a sermon in song, entitled "Put de Cookies on de Lower Shelf."

Mrs. Mary Eldridge, of New Mexico, at one time our faithful missionary, and none the less interested in the work of our Society while now rendering efficient service in the employ of the United States Government, was invited to address the Convention, and gave in brief a history of the Navajoes, with a picturesque view of their adobe homes, employment of the women, and the desire of this people to receive industrial training. Mrs. Eldridge commended the practical help of the National Indian Association in sending seeds and tools for the Indians, and endeavoring to settle them on land and in homes of their own. As evidence of their reverence, she referred to the beautiful custom of chanting, at break of day, a song of thankfulness to the Great Power for his protection during the night. An earnest desire to learn of spiritual things is manifested by these Indians, who are asking for the Truth, and urging that it be sent quickly. The pathos of their pleading to know of the white man's God lingers as a reproach to Christians of this Nation, who must assume the responsibility of answering the Red Man's question, "Why did you not send us the good news long ago?"

Mrs. Van Ness then sang "There were ninety and nine," which was listened to with charmed attention.

Mrs. Carhart, Special Committee on Church Press, stated that circumstances would hinder her assuming the entire responsibility of this work, and presented her resignation, which, on motion, was accepted.

Mrs. E. L. Albright was then nominated and elected Committee on Church Press.

Mrs. Herron asked if there were representatives from the following Conferences: Colorado, East Tennessee, Oregon, Utah Mission, West Nebraska, Puget Sound, and Southern California. West Nebraska responded through Mrs. Woodcock, but the other Conferences named were without representatives.

On motion of Mrs. Herron, Mrs. Thompson was chosen to represent Colorado Conference.

The appended list of Conferences was called by the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Aiken: Wyoming, Wisconsin, Wilmington, West Wisconsin, West Texas, West Nebraska, Vermont, Upper Mississippi, Upper Iowa, Troy, Texas, Tennessee, and Southwest Kansas.

Reports were read from Wyoming Conference, by Mrs. George B. Kulp, Corresponding Secretary; Southwest Kansas, by Mrs. W. J. Martindale, Corresponding Secretary; and East Tennessee, by Mrs. Herron for Mrs. Cora Provine, Corresponding Secretary. On motion, these reports were adopted. (See Reports.)

Miss Van Marter called attention to the Grow in Grace cards, as pretty devices for raising money.

A request was made that Mrs. A. V. P. Adams give information in regard to some quilts placed on exhibition, and in her absence Mrs. Albright gave the history in brief as the handiwork of Etna Holderness, before she left her home in the Dark Continent to come to the United States for education and preparation for Home Mission work among her native people.

Mrs. Potter then displayed a pretty quilt as the industrial achievement of the first and only Mission Band at Corinne, Utah, and expressed the wish that pledges might be made for the purchase of this specimen of children's handiwork, and the money thus realized be sent to the treasury of this Band. Pledges were made as follows: Mrs. Potter, \$1; Mrs. Dale, \$1; Mrs. Robinson, 50 cents; Mrs. I. L. Hunt, 50 cents; Mrs. Griffin, 50 cents; Mrs. Tomkinson, 50 cents; Mrs. Kent, 50 cents; Mrs. Wood, 50 cents; Mrs. Kulp, 50 cents; Mrs. Bigelow, 50 cents; Mrs. Bliss 50 cents; Mrs. Herron, 25 cents; Mrs. Goewey, 25 cents; Mrs. Gallagher, 25 cents; Mrs. Bickley, 25 cents; Mrs. Brown, 25 cents; Mrs. Rulison, 25 cents; Mrs. Bickley, 25 cents; Mrs. Webster, 25 cents; Mrs. Hedges, 25 cents; Mrs. Neff, 25 cents; Mrs. Woodcock, 25 cents; Mrs. Crawford, 25 cents; Mrs. Hadley, 25 cents; Mrs. Roach, 25 cents; Mrs. Woodruff, 25 cents; Mrs. Fisk, 25 cents; making a total of 10.50. Mrs. Conklin pledged 60 cents to defray the expressage on the quilt.

Mrs. Bickley moved that this quilt be presented to Miss Mary Potter, of Bloomington, Ill., for whom this Band is named, and the motion prevailed. Mrs. B. S. Potter gracefully returned thanks in the name of her daughter.

Adjourned until 7.30 P. M.

# Thursday Evening.

THE session opened with a song-service, conducted by Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff, the invocation being made by Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson. Mrs. Fisk, the President, occupied the chair, and the Minutes of the afternoon meeting were read by Mrs. Aiken, and adopted.

Mrs. Fisk stated that in each place where the Annual Meeting had been held there had always been added to the usual arrangements for such meetings an abundant supply of fine music, and introduced to the Convention Mr. H. M. Snape, who sang most delightfully the anthem, "Glory to Thee, my God, this night."

Mrs. Albright stated that it would be impossible for her to serve as Committee on Church Press, and nominated Mrs. Woodcock, of Nebraska, for this work. On motion, she was excused, and her nomination was confirmed.

The report of the Bureau for Young People's Work, Mrs. M. B. Ingham, Secretary, was read by Mrs. Aiken, and the fact of her resignation at the last meeting of the General Executive Board, was stated, as also the appointment of Mrs. Samuel Hazlett, Washington, Pa., as her successor. On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

On motion of Mrs. Aiken, Mrs. McCabe was constituted a Special Committee to convey to Mrs. Ingham the thanks of the Society for her efficient services as Secretary of the Bureau for Young People's Work.

In an address of great beauty, Mrs. Hazlett showed how God moves in the selection of agencies for his work. The reforms undertaken by men made; slow progress in the earlier times because they lacked the helping hand of women, and in these later days, when the conflict with sin and Satan grows fiercer, there is needed the earnestness and enthusiasm of the young people of our land. She made an earnest appeal to our Sunday-school and Epworth League armies to take up Home Missionary Work.

The report of the Mothers' Jewels Home was read by Mrs. Woodcock, in the absence of Mrs. Spurlock, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Woodcock then spoke of the high esteem in which Mr. and Mrs. Spurlock are held by the citizens of York, Nebraska, and their devotion to the work, and said that the marked changes in the character and life of the children brought under Mrs. Spurlock's influence evidenced the transforming power of the mother love. To gratify the inherent love for a sight of family jewels, Mrs. Woodcock opened a casket and displayed the photographed jewels that belong to us.

Miss Van Marter, editor of *Children's Home Missions*, claimed attention to her report on the ground that what you do to the little children is "what matters most." She further claimed that the child's paper is most valuable because the mind of the child is not preocupied, and, not having many irons in the fire, they have time to read; that early impressions are most enduring; and that it opens lines of activity to children, as well as in-

structs, and so is in accordance with the accepted theories of kindergarten work, that interest must not be awakened unless opportunity is given for its exercise. She advised the sending of sample copies to all places where a Band should be organized, and a free distribution in primary classes of Sunday-schools for one year, wherever a gift could be obtained for this purpose.

On motion, the report was adopted.

The President, Mrs. Fisk, referred to the telegram of sympathy sent Mrs. Rust, and read her reply thereto, as follows: "Ninetieth Psalm, 17th verse, also the twenty-third Psalm."

The Recording Secretary, Mrs. Aiken, then called the following list of Conferences without response: Southern California, South Kansas, South Carolina, Rock River, Puget Sound, Oregon, Northwest Swedish, Northwest Nebraska, Northwest Iowa, Northwest Indiana, Northern New York, North Nebraska, North Carolina, and New York East.

The Corresponding Secretaries of Pittsburg, Ohio, North Ohio, and North Indiana Conferences requested permission to report later. Granted. The report of St. Louis Conference was presented by Mrs. J. W. Bush, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

The appended preamble and resolution were offered by Mrs. Roach, who stated that they had been adopted at a recent session of the Baltimore Conference Society, and sent to this body with a petition for their adoption:

Whereas, Our ancestors came to America and planted the banner of our Lord Jesus Christ on the rugged shores of New England "in order to secure larger religious liberty;" and later the American Colonies became the United States of America, and the Stars and Stripes were adopted as the flag of our country; and wherever the flag floats over United States soil the Woman's Home Missionary Society has right of way for missionary work; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we adopt the small American flag, similar to the one worn by the delegates to this Annual Conference meeting, as the badge of our Society.

This petition, on motion, was referred to a Special Committee, consisting of Mrs. Roach, Mrs. Secor, and Mrs. Kulp.

Mrs. Fisk stated that the resolution adopted last year in regard to placing the United States Flag on all of our Missions and Homes had been warmly approved at the late Mohonk Indian Conference.

Mrs. Park gave an amusing account of the raising of the flag at the New Jersey Home, Morristown, Tenn. Bishop Mallalieu, Dr. Freeman, and a venerable colored man, who was once sold for \$600 on the spot where our Home now stands, assisted in this patriotic work.

Mrs. Roach stated that on Flag-day all the children of her infantclass were given a flag.

Mrs. Aiken stated that at the young people's meeting, on next Sunday afternoon, all the children would carry a United States flag.

Mrs. Fisk did not desire to be boastful, but she had a respect for her

right hand, because it had earned this year, by knitting, enough to purchase two large flags. She thought that if we could teach those who come to us to love the flag, the country would be safe. At the suggestion of Mrs. Taylor, the "Star-Spangled Banner" was sung, with patriotic fervor.

Adjourned to meet Friday, at 9.30 A. M.

# Friday Morning.

PROMPTLY at the hour the Convention was called to order by the President, Mrs. Fisk. The devotional exercises were in charge of Mrs. I. L. Hunt.

. The Minutes of the previous meeting were read by Mrs. Albright, corrected, and adopted.

The President, Mrs. Fisk, spoke cordially of the excellent work done by Mrs. Bishop McCabe for our Society in the West, and stated that for the first time in her life Mrs. McCabe has spoken from the platform, and organized an auxiliary.

Mrs. H. C. McCabe added that in a recent letter from Mrs. Bishop McCabe she had spoken in the highest terms of the intelligence and enterprise of the women in the West, their excellent appearance, and that their garments, in many instances, came in the boxes and barrels from the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Mrs. Robinson moved that Mrs. Carhart and Mrs. Hazlett be added to the Press Committee, and the motion prevailed.

Mrs. Park gave the report of the Watts de Peyster Home, in the absence of Mrs. J. M. King, Chairman of the Committee. Mrs. Park supplemented the report with an invitation to the ladies to visit this Home and occupy the Mary Fisk Park room, which, with an adjoining one, was used only for guests.

Mrs. Park stated that General de Peyster had visited the Home, and expressed himself delighted with the condition and conduct of the institution.

Mrs. Potter said she had spent a night there, and could vouch for the comfort and beauty of the Mary Fisk Park room; and the picture of the family gathering, after the evening meal, for devotions would never be effaced from her memory.

Mrs. Park made an earnest appeal that the Conferences would take the interests of this Home to their hearts, and make it for the East what the Mothers' Jewels Home is to the West. Pledges for the support of beneficiaries in the Home were made as follows: New York East Conference, by Mrs. Carhart, \$60; Madison Avenue Church, New York City, \$60; Newark, by Mrs. Woodruff, \$30; New Jersey, by Mrs. Wells, \$15; New England, \$60; Little Sanford Street Church, East Orange, N. J., by Miss

Van Marter, \$15; Mrs. Fisk, from the money placed in her hand by a friend for distribution, \$125; New England Southern, by Mrs. Everett, \$60; Michigan, by Mrs. Masters, \$10; Maine, by Mrs. Gallagher, \$10; Detroit, by Mrs. Pope, \$5; New Hampshire, by Mrs. Wells, \$10; Troy, by Mrs. Simpson, \$60; Auxiliary at Scranton, Pa., by Mrs. Kulp, \$25; and Cincinnati Conference, by Mrs. Taylor, \$25.

In response to the question asked by Mrs. Woodruff, Mrs. Park answered that Conferences might unite in the support of a beneficiary.

The report was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Bureau for Orientals, Mrs. L. P. Williams, of San Francisco, Cal., Secretary, was given by Mrs, Carver, who said that apparently we are working at the mud-sills, but in reality our work reaches over and clasps hands with the Orient, and had our Christian America done its duty, we might have had thousands go to their native land as missionaries, since most of the converts do return to their own people, and it is the rare exception when they are not faithful and steadfast. Mrs. Carver emphasized the statement that Christian education is the chief defense of the Nation. Mrs. Carver interested the Convention by speaking of the wedding of one of the girls trained in the San Francisco Home, and after the ceremony the bridegroom laid down \$40 in gold for the Society that had done so much for his wife. She exhibited a picture of a Japanese and his wife. The woman had been rescued from a fearful life to which she had been pledged, and been purified by the refining fire that passed through her soul. She stated that \$60 will keep a girl in the Home one year, and that \$30 will pay for a day-school pupil. The following pledges were made: Troy Conference, per Mrs. Griffin, \$30; Mrs. Simpson, \$15; Baltimore, per Mrs. Roach, \$60; New York, per Mrs. Park, \$10; Michigan, per Mrs. Hill, \$10; Newark, per Mrs. Woodruff, \$10; New Jersey, per Mrs. Wells, \$30; Iowa, per Mrs. Murphy, \$30; Upper Iowa, per Mrs. Gould, \$30; Northwest Iowa, per Mrs. Negus. \$30: Illinois, per Mrs. Potter, \$30; Central Illinois, per Mrs. L. C. Tunnicliff, \$30; North Ohio, per Mrs. Dawson, \$30; Cincinnati, per Mrs. Taylor, \$30. Mrs. Kent stated that she remembered gratefully and with pleasure her visit to the Pacific Coast. She recalled vividly the Sabbath before last Christmas, when she visited a congregation in an unfinished church, and presented the work of our Society; and to her surprise a lady came forward with twelve names, and asked for the organization of an auxiliary. Another lady followed with the request that a Mission Band be organized. Mrs. Kent desired to pledge a personal thank-offering of \$30 to the work in California.

Mrs. Gallagher expressed the belief that no subject should so stir our hearts as this work for the people of the Orient on the Pacific Coast.

Mrs. Potter, from personal observation, spoke eloquently of these "strangers within our gates," saying: "Happy are hundreds of these people if they can catch a glimpse of the blue sky. Fresh air is never known in their homes. They live story after story below ground; and the hard ground floor of the court around which these tenements are arranged

is so slimy that one must walk with the greatest care. There are fourteen temples in Chinatown, and the heathen customs of the Celestial Empire are practiced here."

Pledges were then continued as follows: Maine Conference, per Mrs. Gallagher, \$15; New England, per Miss Webster, \$15; New England Southern, per Mrs. Tregaskis, \$15; New Hampshire, per Mrs. Wells, \$15; North Nebraska, per Mrs. Escomb, \$15; Des Moines, per Mrs. Webb, \$30.

Mrs. A. V. P. Adams said a friend of hers had visited in a Christian and also a heathen home in California. In the heathen home she found little gods and big gods of all colors and kinds; but in the Christian home the attractive objects that greeted the eye were a pretty stand, a bouquet of flowers, and a Bible. In this Christian home five races were represented, and one asked that something might be sung. All joined in singing "Blest be the tie that binds." Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Schmidlapp, Mrs. E. W. McIntosh, and Mrs. M. J. Hadley, each pledged \$5. Indiana Conference, \$30; North Indiana Conference, per Mrs. Bunyan, \$15; Central Pennsylvania, per Mrs. Tomkinson, \$30; Wilmington Conference, per Mrs. Brown, \$30; New York Conference, per Mrs. Park, \$10; New York East, per Mrs. Carhart, \$10; Mrs. Hazlett, \$30 as her own thank-offering, and \$30 for the young people of the Pittsburg Conference.

Mrs. Roach asked that a leaflet might be formed from the remarks made by Mrs. Carver, Mrs. Kent, and Mrs. Potter. On motion, the request was referred to the Leaflet Committee.

The report of the Southern California Conference was read by Mrs. Herron, and, on motion, its recommendations were referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mrs. Fisk gave interesting incidents which came to her notice *en route* to California. She paid a tribute to the friends of the Pacific Coast, who had so kindly received her and Mrs. Kent, saying, letters had come to her repeatedly of the appreciation of the services of Mrs. Kent after she was compelled to leave for home.

Mrs. Fisk read a portion of a letter from her physician in California, who was in attendance upon her after her accident of last winter, and while in a semi-unconscious state she rebuked him for coming into her presence with the odor of tobacco upon him. In this letter he stated that, after twenty-five years of slavery to the vile weed, he had entirely, and, he believed, permanently, abandoned the habit, and attributed his happy emancipation largely to the influence of her faithful words.

Mrs. Albright stated that at the last meeting of the General Executive Board she was instructed to enter into correspondence regarding the reorganization of the South Carolina Conference Society, and asked that the matter be referred to the Committee on Finance. Granted.

Mrs. Aiken prefaced the reading of the report of the Bureau for East Southern States by presenting words of greeting from the faithful Secretary, Mrs. J. L. Whetstone, who was detained at home by sickness in her family.

On motion, report was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Bureau for West Central States was given by Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, Secretary, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

On motion of Mrs. Albright, Mrs. Schrock, of Springfield, was constituted a Committee on Courtesies.

Mrs. Crawford, Chairman of the Committee on Enrollment, submitted the report, which, on motion, was adopted, after it was determined that, where ladies occupy positions that would be lost sight of if the names were omitted, they be repeated in the enrollment list.

The enrollment at the Annual Meeting exhibits the fact that the representation includes four General Officers, three Vice-Presidents, five Managers, two Provisional Managers, eleven Bureau Secretaries, thirty-nine Conference Corresponding Secretaries, thirty-six delegates, two National Organizers, one missionary, and twenty-eight visitors.

### ENROLLMENT LIST.

General Officers.—President: Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk. Acting Corresponding Secretary: Mrs. W. C. Herron. Recording Secretary: Mrs. F. A. Aiken. Acting Treasurer: Mrs. W. G. Williams.

Vice-Presidents.—Mrs. W. G. Williams, Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, Mrs. H. C. McCabe.

Managers.—Mrs. Anna Kent, Mrs. G. H. Thompson, Mrs. W. C. Herron, Mrs. W. M. Ampt, Mrs. James Dale.

Provisional Managers.-Mrs. J. P. Negus, Mrs. E. L. Albright.

Bureau Secretaries.—Mrs. M. C. Hickman, Mrs. E. W. Simpson, Mrs. B. S. Potter, Mrs. Anna Kent, Mrs. Anna F. Beiler, Mrs. James Dale, Mrs. E. L. Albright, Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, Mrs. H. C. McCabe, Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, Mrs. Samuel Hazlett.

Mrs, H. C. McCabe, Editor Woman's Home Missions; Miss Martha Van Marter, Editor Children's Home Missions.

Mrs. P. R. Graham, Treasurer's Secretary.

Miss Elizabeth Wommer, Stenographer.

The names of Corresponding Secretaries of Conferences are noted by an asterisk.

CONFERENCES.

Baltimore.—Delegation: Mrs. Clara L. Roach,\* Mrs. John Neff. Visitors: Mrs. V. G. Daniels, Mrs. D. B. Street; Rev. A. H. Ames, Superintendent Lucy Webb-Hayes Training-school and Deaconess Home.

California.-Mrs. Louisa M. Carver.

Central Illinois.-Miss Ella G. Taylor, Mrs. L. C. Tunnicliff.

Central New York .- Mrs. M. A. Rulison.

Central Ohio.-Mrs. M. H. Davis,\* Mrs. D. M. Bailey.

Central Pennsylvania.-Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson,\* Mrs. M. R. Crawford.

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Cincinnati.-Mrs. D. E. Taylor,\* Mrs. M. T. Carey.

Des Moines.-Mrs. Julia T. Webb.\*

Detroit.—Mrs. W. B. Pope, Mrs. A. J. Bigelow. Visitors: Mrs. May Comiskey Bliss, Rev. Wilbur F. Sheridan.

East Ohio.-Mrs. M. C. Hickman,\* Mrs. H. E. Kramer.

Erie.-Miss Annie B. Cummings,\* Mrs. Henry Neville.

Genesee.-Mrs. E. B. Green.\*

Illinois—Mrs. B. S. Potter,\* Mrs. A. W. Conklin. Visitors: Mrs. Edward C. Lambert, Mrs. S. R. Capps, Mrs. M. E. Lane, Mrs. C. A. Morris, Mrs. Maurice Goodrich, Mrs. W. H. Wilder, Mrs. W. H. Webster, Mrs. E. S. Shrock, Mrs. E. S. Gard, Mrs. N. DuBois, Mrs. A. W. Stickel, Mrs. Charles Hawk, Mrs. Edgar Barnes, Mrs. E. Payne, Mrs. S. A. Bullard, Miss Florence Stickel, Miss Bertha Kimball, Mrs. G. R. Kimber, Mrs. G. A. Hammer, Mrs. Mary McLoud, Mrs. Lottie M. Ohman, Miss Lillian Stickel, Mrs. J. K. McCoy.

Indiana.--Mrs. A. V. P. Adams,\* Mrs. H. Schmidlap. Visitor: Mrs. M. Andrus.

Iowa.-Mrs. Lavanda G. Murphy,\* Mrs. J. A. Shaw.

Kansas .-- Mrs. Adda L. Fundis.\*

Louisiana.-Mrs. D. M. Walker.\* Visitor: Mrs. A. C. Johnson.

Maine.-Mrs. C. W. Gallagher.

Michigan.—Mrs. Levi Masters, Mrs. F. A. Hall.

Minnesola.-Mrs. John Taylor,\* Mrs. R D. Waller.

Missouri.-Mrs. Price A. Crow.\*

Nebraska.-Mrs. J. R. Woodcock.\*

Newark.-Mrs. C. S. Woodruff, Mrs. W. F. Day. Visitor: Miss Annabelle Kent.

New England.-Mrs. S. W. Floyd,\* Miss E. J. Webster.

New England Southern.-Mrs. James Tregaskis,\* Miss T. J. Everett.

New Hampshire.-Mrs. Ada F. Wells.

New Jersey.-Mrs. G. M. P. Wells.\*

New Mexico. - Mrs. Mary L. Eldridge, visitor.

New York .- Mrs. Mary Fisk Park.

New York East.-Mrs. C. H. Carhart, Mrs. J. A. Secor.

North Indiana.-Mrs. L. H. Bunyan,\* Mrs. A. W. McCarty.

North Nebraska.-Mrs. William Esplin,\* Mrs. C. S. Hayes.

North Ohio.-Mrs. W. C. Dawson,\* Mrs. H. C. Hedges.

Northern New York .- Mrs. I. L. Hunt.\*

Northwest Indiana.-Mrs. D. M. Wood.

Northern Swedish Mission.-Mrs. G. E. Kallstedt.\*

CONFERENCES

Ohio.-Mrs. W. R. Ozier.

Oklahoma. - Mrs. Sarah E. Murray, Missionary.

Philadelphia. - Mrs. H. H. Kvnett, Mrs. C. W. Bickley.

Pittsburg.-Mrs. C. W. Smith, Mrs. Samuel Hazlett.

Rock River-Mrs. E. E. Marcy,\* Mrs. L. C. Latimer. Visitor: Mrs. M. C. Clark

St. Louis.-Mrs. John A. Brubaker, Mrs. John W. Bush.

Southwest Kansas.—Mrs. W. J. Martindale,\* Mrs. Alice S. Barron. Visitor: Mrs. M. J. Hadley.

Troy.—Mrs. E. W. Simpson, Mrs. W. E. Griffin.

'Upper Iowa.-Mrs. Laura M. Gould, Mrs. Regina B. Van Ness.

West Texas-Mrs. E. L. Spriggs.\*

Wilmington.-Mrs. M. N. Brown.

Wyoming.-Mrs. George B. Kulp, Mrs. J. F. Goewey.

On motion, adjourned until 2 P. M., by singing the long-meter doxology.

# Friday Afternoon.

THE Convention assembled at two o'clock, with Mrs. Fisk, the President, in the chair.

The devotional exercises were in charge of Mrs. A. V. P. Adams, of Indiana, who in a few earnest words led the audience in singing, as a prayer, "I need Thee every hour."

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Potter, and adopted.

The report of Committee for Ritter Industrial Home was presented by Mrs. W. G. Williams, Chairman, who added, in conclusion, that she had just received a letter from Mrs. Chapman, Superintendent of the Home, saying every room is full, and a dozen cots will be needed. She asked that furnishings for these might be pledged. The following ladies promptly made the desired pledges: Mrs. Park, of New York; Mrs. Kynett, of Philadelphia; Mrs. Brown, of Wilmington; Mrs. Davis, of Central Ohio; Miss Cummings, of Erie; Mrs. C. W. Smith, of Pittsburg; Mrs. Crawford, for Queen Esther Circle, Mulberry Street, Williamsport, Pa.; Mrs. Dawson, of North Ohio; and Mrs. M. T. Carey, of Cincinnati. Mrs. Fisk pledged curtains.

Moved and carried that the report be accepted. (See Report.)

The report of Bureau for West Southern States, Mrs. F. A. Arter, Secretary, was, in the absence of Mrs. Arter because of illness, presented by Mrs. M. C. Hickman. Mrs. Hickman made an urgent appeal for support for beneficiaries, at \$40 each, for Peck Home, New Orleans, La.

East Ohio Conference, through Mrs. Hickman, pledged three, and Michigan, through Mrs. Masters, one.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Herron, of Cincinnati, offered the following resolution, which was cordially adopted:

Resolved, That we extend to Mrs. Arter our sympathy with her in the illness which has prevented her attendance upon this Convention, to her own and to our regret, and express our appreciation of her faithful labors in promoting the work of the Bureau during the past year.

The report of the Bureau for Immigrants, Mrs. G. W. Mansfield, Secretary, was presented by Mrs. Aiken.

On motion, adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the E. E. Marcy Home, Chicago, Ill, was given by Mrs., Marcy. Seven years ago Mrs. Marcy began collecting money in small sums for this home. We have now a building which cost \$15,000, the value of the entire property being \$26,000. The Home was opened March 21, 1896. Mrs. Marcy quoted Bishop Merrill as having said that Chicago is the most important mission-field in America, and this Home seeks to do what it can to meet the need among the Bohemians of this city.

The report was adopted, followed by appreciative words from Mrs. Fisk, concerning the earnest, faithful work done by Mrs. Marcy during these years of heavy cares and responsibilities. (See Report.)

On motion, adjourned to meet at 7.30 P. M.

# Friday Evening.

THE meeting was called to order at 7.30 o'clock by the President, Mrs. Fisk.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Kulp, of Wyoming Conference.

The Minutes of the afternoon meeting were read by Miss Van Marter, and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Glenn Home, prepared by Mrs. I. D. Jones, Chairman, was read by Mrs. Aiken, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. D. E. Taylor, the Superintendent of Glenn Home, called attention to the fact that a guest-chamber in this Home will serve as a resting-place to friends who come to Cincinnati, O.

The report of the Bureau for New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish) was submitted by the Secretary, Mrs. Anna Kent, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

By invitation of the President, Rev. Mr. Havighorst spoke a few words to the Convention, and explained that so many meetings had been and are now being held in this city that the members of the Churches have not been

able to attend in large numbers. He hoped that Sunday would be a great day, and that in the days following his people would be able to increase our audiences.

"The Man of Galilee" was sweetly sung by Mrs. D. E. Taylor.

Earnest prayer for the special blessing of Go l upon our work and workers was offered by Miss Van Marter.

The doxology was sung, and the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Mr. Havighorst, and the Convention adjourned until Saturday morning.

# Saturday Morning.

THE Convention was called to order by the President, Mrs. Fisk.

The devotional exercises, in charge of Mrs. W. G. Williams, were of deep spiritual enjoyment.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Everett, corrected, and adopted.

The President welcomed and introduced three willing-hearted girls as pages—Helen Bullard, Alice and Grace Hawk—and they cheerfully entered upon their duties.

The Conference list was called by Mrs. Aiken, and responded to as follows: Kansas, by Mrs. Fundis; Iowa, by Mrs. L. G. Murphy; Indiana, by Mrs. A. V. P. Adams; Genesee, by Mrs. E. B. Green; Detroit, by Mrs. W. B. Pope; Des Moines, by Mrs. Julia T. Webb; East Ohio, by Mrs. M. C. Hickman; and Wilmington, by Mrs. Brown for Mrs. E. L. Weldin.

On motion of Mrs. Williams, it was unanimously resolved to send an expression of heart-felt sympathy to Mrs. Merritt Hulburd, of Wilmington Conference, bereft of her husband, the Rev. Merritt Hulburd, whose earnest words for the Woman's Home Missionary Society will not be forgotten.

On motion of Mrs. Simpson, Miss Van Marter was requested to convey a like expression of sympathy to his only sister.

The Rev. C. R. Carlos, pastor of the Second Methodist Episcopal Church of Springfield, was introduced, and when asked by our President, Mrs. Fisk, for a word of encouragement, he replied by referring to the motto on the Home Mission Reading Circle Banner, that he had come into our meeting to "get wisdom, to get understanding" of the work of the Society.

Mrs. Murray, our faithful missionary at Pawhuska, was warmly greeted, as the representative of our youngest Conference Society, Oklahoma. Her account of the opening of this new territory, its settlement, and the beginning of the Methodist Episcopal Church among its people, and the organization for work under the Woman's Home Missionary Society, was a pean of praise to God for his special blessings, and voices immediately united with her in singing, "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow."

Mrs. McCabe's request that the sum of \$23, secured by this new organization, be used to purchase seats in the school-room at Pawhuska was, onlimotion of Mrs. Williams, referred to the Committee on Finance and Mission-fields.

The report was adopted. (See Report.)

Our President, Mrs. Fisk, read a letter just received from Mrs. Rust, regretting her enforced absence, expressing appreciation of the prayers, sympathy, and tokens of remembrance from the ladies, and indulging the hope that the Convention would be divinely guided in its deliberations.

Mrs. Fisk also read a letter from Mrs. F. S. Hoyt, stating that, owing to a change of residence to Berca, O., she would not be permitted to be present at this meeting, but desired to assure the ladies of her remembrance and love and continued increasing interest in the work of the Society.

The report of the Committee on Leaflets was submitted by its Chairman, Miss Van Marter, who acknowledged the assistance of the former Chairman, Mrs. Marcy, in sending out leaflets during the year. Miss Van Marter recommended that each auxiliary donate the small sum of twenty-five cents for a leaflet fund, and thus provide for the free distribution of leaflets.

In response to a question by Mrs. Negus, it was ordered that such money go through the usual channels to the general treasury; and in answer to Mrs. Hunt's question, it was recommended that Corresponding Secretaries instruct the auxiliaries to mark this donation as "Leaflet Fund."

Baltimore, Wilmington, and Pittsburg Conferences, through their respective representatives explained their methods of work through Conference and Auxiliary Leaflet Secretaries.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Tomkinson offered the following memorial from the Central Pennsylvania Conference Society, which, on motion of Mrs. Roach, was adopted without discussion:

"Realizing the great importance of diffusing Home Missionary information through our Societies and Churches, and of devising the best means for reaching the greatest number with this information, we respectfully petition your body to order the publication of the monthly concert lesson as a separate leaflet, for use in our Auxiliaries. We believe that in this way alone can the concert lesson be made available, so as to be extensively used in our monthly meetings."

Rev. M. R. Palmer, of Elkhart, Ill., was introduced, and in a few words rejoiced in the usefulness and promise of this Society, and the hopefulness of the deaconess phase of our work.

Mrs. Fisk expressed the wish of the Convention for his success in pastoral work.

Mrs. Carhart then presented the report of the New York East Conference Society, which, on motion, was accepted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Carhart displayed a patchwork square of a quilt, being pieced by the ladies of the New York East Conference Society, and requested the names of the general officers of the Society to be placed thereon. It was immediately complied with.

The report of Illinois Conference Society was given by the Secre-

tary, Mrs. B. S. Potter, and adopted. (See Report.)

In response to a question by Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Potter stated that the Cunningham Deaconess Home and Orphanage, at Urbana, Ill., was supported by gifts and appropriations from auxiliaries in the Conference.

Mrs. Green voiced the wish of the ladies to visit the home and tomb of Abraham Lincoln at some time that might be arranged for, and Mrs. Fisk, the President, stated that she would confer with the local ladies in regard to this matter.

Reports from Conferences were presented as follows: Colorado, by Mrs. Thompson, for Mrs. C. B. Spencer; Cincinnati, by Mrs. D. E. Taylor Central Ohio, by Mrs. M. H. Davis; Central New York, by Mrs. M. A. Rulison, for Mrs. W. A. Brownell.

After observing the noontide of prayer, one stanza of "Nearer, my God, to Thee," was sung.

Central Illinois Conference, by Miss Ella G. Taylor; Central Alabama by Mrs. W. C. Herron, for Miss Mary Ellen Shepherd; Ohio Conference by Mrs. Ozier, for Mrs. F. A. Sells; Baltimore Conference, by Mrs. Clara L. Roach.

On motion, these reports were adopted. (See Reports.) A motion to adjourn antil two P. M. prevailed.

### Saturday Afternoon.

THE session opened with devotional exercises, in charge of Mrs. Carver.

The President, Mrs. Fisk, occupied the chair. The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Aiken, and adopted.

Mrs. Simpson presented to the Society, in the name of Mrs. M. L. Eldridge, forty acres of land, on which our Navajo Mission is located. Mrs. Simpson also stated that Miss M. A. Tripp, our missionary at Las Cruces, New Mexico, had added a codicil to her will, giving the building erected by her, at her own expense, to this Society.

On motion of Mrs. Williams, these gifts were accepted with thanks.

Mrs. Williams presented the report of the Committee on Credentials, which, on motion, was accepted. (See Report.)

The report of the Committee on Woman's Home Missions was offered by the Chairman, Mrs. Robinson. This report recommended an advance in the subscription price of the paper. A discussion followed, in which Ladies Marcy, McCabe, Williams, Hickman, Robinson, and Albright participated.

Mrs. Roach inquired if the report could be divided, and a part adopted, leaving the other for future discussion.

Mrs. Williams disliked to make a motion to lay the report upon the table, but thought a longer time was needed for its consideration.

Mrs. Robinson said that, listening to the discussion and watching the faces of those present, she believed the prevailing sentiment was against an increase in the price, and it was perhaps better to yield the question of an advance in price.

Mrs. Williams desired to know the probable draft on the treasury, if continued at the present price. Mrs. Robinson replied, "About \$600." Mrs. Green moved that the paper be continued at its present price and size, and the motion prevailed. (See Report.)

Mrs. Herron submitted a list of Conferences not represented, and desired that these vacancies might be filled in accordance with the recommendation of the General Executive Board.

On motion, Mrs. Albright was chosen to represent North Carolina; Miss Van Marter, Oregon; Mrs. McCabe, West Wisconsin; Mrs. Gallagher, Maine; and Mrs. Carey, South Carolina Conferences.

Mrs. Williams moved that where the Conference Corresponding Secretary is absent, the delegate should assume the duties of the Secretary; and where both are absent, the visitor should be allowed to act in this capacity. Carried.

The Convention adjourned until 9.30 Monday morning.

At four o'clock the communion service was participated in by the members of the Convention, and the pastors and members of local Churches who were present. The consecration meeting, which preceded this impressive service, conducted by Mrs. Clara L. Roach, was one of deep feeling and heartfelt expression, and the spirit of love and Christian fellowship pervading the meeting suggested the words of Paul: "For we, being many, are one bread, and one body."

## Saturday Evening.

ROM nine to eleven o'clock an elegant reception was given by Mrs. J. P. Altgeld, at the Executive Mansion, which will long be remembered by the large number of delegates and friends who enjoyed the gracious manner and cordial hospitality of the hostess, and welcomed this happy occasion for the cultivation of social graces.

## Sunday Afternoon.

Three o'clock the young people marched in a body into the First Methodist Episcopal Church, singing a processional hymn, and waving small United States flags. The meeting was a large, beautiful, and inspiring one, Mrs. F. A. Aiken presiding. Mrs. J. R. Woodcock and Mrs. C. L. Roach conducted the devotional exercises, and addresses were given by Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, Miss Martha Van Marter, Mrs. L. G.

Murphy, and Mrs. Samuel Hazlett. The first and last names were greeted by the waving of the Stars and Stripes.

Charming recitations were given by Grace Hawk, Blanche Young, Edith Dodds, Bessie and Amy Gard. Vocal and instrumental music interspersed the program. The solos by Mrs. R. B. Van Ness and Mrs. D. E. Taylor held the audience in rapt attention while enjoying the beauty of the sentiment so sweetly sung.

## Sunday Evening.

THE anniversary of the Society was held, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk presiding. The devotional exercises were conducted by the pastor, Rev. F. A. Havighorst, who read the first sixteen verses of the fifteenth chapter of John.

The first address was delivered by the President, Mrs. Fisk, who told of the organization, growth, and development of the Society, and the large amount of good already accomplished.

Mrs. W. C. Herron read a brief abstract from the report of the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. R. S. Rust.

Mrs. W. G. Williams presented in brief the report of the Treasurer, Mrs. J. W. Mendenhall.

Mrs. W. G. Williams delivered the anniversary address in an able and impressive manner. This was a masterly composition of supreme interest, exhaustive information, and unequaled excellence, and received the closest attention of the large audience present. (See Address.)

### Monday Morning.

THE Convention opened, with the President, Mrs. Fisk, in the chair. The devotional exercises, in charge of Mrs. G. M. P. Wells, were full of thanksgiving due the Lord for his continued mercy.

Mrs. Fisk said, "We come together with rejoicing over the success of the Sabbath," referring to the continued interest manifested by the large audiences of the day.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Albright, and adopted.

Mrs. Fisk presented the matter of visiting the Abraham Lincoln monument, and asked the Society to fix a time for this visit. On motion of Mrs. Williams, it was voted to adjourn at four o'clock for this purpose.

On motion of Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Fisk, Mrs. Dale, and Mrs. Robinson were constituted a Special Committee to visit the Preachers' Meeting.

Mrs. Green moved that the parts of Mrs. Williams's Anniversary Address which can be of immediate practical use to the Conferences, be manifolded by our typewriter for distribution during the Convention.

Mrs. Bickley, Mrs. Roach, and Mrs. Albright expressed the wish that the entire address be printed in the Annual Report, which met the common consent of the Convention.

The report of the Northern Swedish Mission Conference was read by the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Genevieve Kallstedt, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

The President cordially greeted Mrs. Kallstedt, and welcomed, in the name of the Society, this new Conference organization, with its efficient Secretary.

Mrs. Herron read the following message from Bishop Cranston: "The presiding elders in my district in the Far West are continually praising the Woman's Home Missionary Society for the supplies sent them. I feel sure that it will be gratifying if the women know how valuable and acceptable are these donations."

Mrs. Fisk, at this stage of the meeting, stated that she had received word from Mrs. Rust, that the sick one of the household had passed beyond the danger line, and that she, too, was improving.

"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow," was then joyfully sung.

The report of the Bureau for Lectures and Home Missionary Reading Circle was, in the absence of its Secretary, Mrs. J. L. Trisler, on account of illness in her family, read by Mrs. Aiken, who also gave the beautiful address of Mrs. Trisler, in the presentation of the banner to the Conference which exhibited the greatest increase in the number of the Reading Circle.

Baltimore Conference was again the successful one. In accepting the banner, Mrs. Roach responded, and gave to Mrs. Frost, Secretary of this department in the Conference, the credit for this large increase. Mrs. Roach stated, in behalf the Conference, that they are glad to retain this banner; but will cheerfully yield it to any Conference that will succeed in enrolling a greater list of readers.

On motion, this report was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Bureau for Local Missionary Work was made by the Secretary, Mrs. W. G. Williams.

Mrs. Marcy asked if vouchers were always sent with money reported for local work. Mrs. Williams thought not. Mrs. Dale said, vouchers usually accompany the reports made to her as Secretary of the Bureau for Supplies.

Mrs. Williams explained that it had been voted that no local work could be entered upon without consulting the Secretary of the Bureau; not that the Secretary knew so much more, but that she might be able to guard against mistakes.

Mrs. Tomkinson moved that our Conference Treasurers be instructed not to give credit, by vouchers or otherwise, for work not organized under the direction of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. In support of the motion, Mrs. Tomkinson said the word "organize" was meant to include work done under a Committee of an Auxiliary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Attention was called to By-law 18 for Bureaus. Mrs. Williams said such work should be sifted by the Conference thoroughly before it is reported to the Bureau Secretary.

Mrs. Bunyan, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Dale, Mrs. Taylor, and Mrs. Martin-

dale joined in the discussion.

By-law 7 for Bureaus was then read. Mrs. Martindale felt that this by-law did not cover her dilemma. She asked this question: "Would helping poor children outside of any Church, without Bible, or clothing, or opportunities, be legitimately our local work?" Mrs. Williams replied "Yes," emphatically; but we should not be expected to take charge of the Church poor, and that the money expended in this work should be reported as cash supplies. Mrs. Green asked if money given by auxiliaries to city missionary organizations could be credited to the Society as local work? Mrs. Williams answered in the negative. Mrs. Woodruff suggested that auxiliaries might appoint a strong Committee, before which all local work should come, and this Committee be given power to omit what is not legitimately local work under our Society. Mrs. Bickley asked if the auxiliaries ought to pay their money to the city or missionary organization, and was answered in the negative.

The question was called, and Mrs. Tomkinson's motion was carried.

The report was, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

The Rev. T. W. Green, of St. John's Church, was introduced, and expressed a warm "God bless you."

The time having arrived for the election of officers, Mrs. Woodruff was invited to conduct the singing, and Mrs. Williams was called to the chair.

Mrs. Williams asked that, after singing the first and last stanzas of

"My faith looks up to Thee," Mrs. Pope lead in prayer.

Mrs. Williams appointed the following ladies as the first set of tellers: Mesdames Kramer, Daniels, Van Marter, and Ozier. Second set of tellers, Mesdames Thompson, Neville, Schmidlapp, and Webb. Third set of tellers, Mesdames Bliss, McCarty, Conklin, Goewey, and Latimer.

On motion of Mrs. Simpson, it was ordered that the four general officers be elected before proceeding to the election of Vice-Presidents.

The informal ballot for President was then ordered.

After the ballots were collected for President, the informal ballot for Corresponding Secretary was ordered into the hands of the second set of tellers.

The first set of tellers then announced the vote for President as folows: Total number of votes cast, 83; for Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, 82.

Mrs. Beiler moved that the informal ballot be made the formal one, and the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Aiken, be instructed to cast the ballot of the Convention for Mrs. Fisk as President of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the ensuing year. Carried.

After the ballot was cast, Mrs. Fisk was escorted to the platform, and

greeted with the Chautauqua salute, the ladies rising, and singing "Blest be the tie that binds."

Mrs. Fisk said no one could desire a better evidence of the charity that covers a multitude of faults, and then pledged her best service to the Society.

The second set of tellers reported number of ballots cast for Corresponding Secretary 86, of which 85 were for Mrs. R. S. Rust.

On motion of Mrs. Robinson, the informal ballot was made the formal one, and the Secretary, as instructed, cast the unanimous vote of the Convention for Mrs. R. S. Rust for Corresponding Secretary of the Society.

The informal ballot for Treasurer was ordered.

During the counting of these ballots the informal ballot for Recording Secretary was ordered.

The tellers reported the number of ballots cast for Treasurer, S1; Mrs. W. G. Williams received 75; scattering, 6.

On motion, the informal ballot was made the formal ballot of the Convention, and the Secretary, as instructed, east the unanimous vote of the Society for Mrs. Williams as Treasurer.

Mrs. Williams was greeted with the usual salute. She said, in acknowledgment, she was reminded of the adage of the fisher-boy, "What's fun for some is death to others." She could not consent to take this work unless every officer and Conference would promise to stand by her. The Convention arose, thus pledging her its hearty support.

Mrs. Fisk announced that cars would be in readiness at four o'clock to convey the ladies to the tomb of Liucoln, and that Mrs. Johnson, wife of the custodian, would be happy to serve tea to the ladies at the Lodge.

The tellers announced the informal ballot for Recording Secretary. Eighty-four ballots were cast, of which Mrs. F. A. Aiken received 82; and a motion prevailed that the informal ballot be made the formal one, and Assistant Secretary Mrs. Potter was instructed to cast the unanimous vote for Mrs. Aiken for Recording Secretary.

Mrs. Aiken was greeted with the Chantauqua salute, and thanked the ladies for this evidence of their continued confidence. She spoke of the inviting opportunities for self-culture, and of her decision to consecrate her best efforts to the work of the Society after discharging the sacred duties of her own home.

Mrs. Fisk, having returned from the ministers' meeting, said she found all denominations represented, and asked those of our own denomination how many had read our Annual Report, and said that by the ruling of the last General Conference they were expected to answer the question at their Quarterly Conferences: "Have you a Woman's Home Missionary Society in this Church?"

The interview was pleasant, and, she trusted, would be productive of good. In concluding, Mrs. Fisk said: "You were voting for me for your President while I was there. I propose to stand by our new Treasurer, Mrs. Williams, and by our Secretary, Mrs. Aiken, and by all our officers

alike, and may God help us all to make this the very best year of our Society!"

Mrs. Fisk asked the pleasure of giving to the Treasurer the very first money, and a check for the sum of \$250, which had been given to her for distribution to our work as she chose, was placed in the hands of the Treasurer. Mrs. Williams happily said that the President had set them a good example, which she hoped they would all immediately follow.

Mrs. Simpson said that Mrs. Eldridge and herself had been staying with a Presbyterian family in this city, and when Mrs. Eldridge was about to leave, her hostess placed in her hand a five-dollar bill for her work.

Mrs. Roach reported for the Special Committee, to which was referred the consideration of the flag as our badge, as follows:

The Committee would recommend the adoption of the American flag, the Stars and Stripes—the red, white, and blue—as the badge of our Society, to be worn at Auxiliary, District, and Annual Meetings; it would also recommend that special effort be made to have the members of our Bands and Mission Circles wear the flag, and to request our Sunday-schools to observe Flag-day.

Mrs. Ozier moved the acceptance of the report, and suggested that some device be added to this badge, with the letters "W. H. M. S." upon it, from which to suspend the flag. The report was accepted, and the recommendations discussed.

Mrs. Hickman favored the red, white, and blue ribbons now in use, because of their convenience. Miss Cummings stated that a large Chautauqua class now has the American flag as its badge, and that our flag is so generally used that there is little that is distinctive about it.

Mrs. Roach supported the resolution eloquently, saying that, by the adoption of the flag, we do not change our colors, and the advance idea of placing a flag on all our schools was in harmony with the resolution. There is an enthusiasm in the flag that can not be aroused by any other emblem. No badge has ever been made by man or blessed by God that can carry the influence that this one will.

Mrs. Marcy thought there might be a sentiment against the use of the flag as our own special emblem, for it was used by so many different interests.

Mrs. Spriggs, of Texas, spoke in the same vein.

Mrs. Everett asked if the Society ever ordered that the national colors should be worn by the Society as a badge. The Chair replied in the affirmative.

On motion of Mrs. Everett, the recommendation of the Committee was laid on the table, with the understanding that we retain our badge of the national colors, worn in any form preferred.

Tellers were called, and reported the vote for Vice-Presidents: Number of votes cast, 81. Mrs. Robinson received 81; Mrs. McCabe, 80; Mrs. Walden, 71; Mrs. Hoyt, 67; others being scattering.

The formal ballot was ordered cast for the ladies named, and they were duly declared elected Vice-Presidents.

The ballot ordered for the Fifth Vice-President resulted in the election of Mrs. W. C. Herron, who received 61 votes, the other votes being scattering.

The Convention then adjourned until 2 P. M.

### Monday Afternoon.

THE Convention was called to order at two o'clock by the President, Mrs. Fisk. The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. John Neff, of Baltimore.

The Minutes of the morning session were read by Mrs. Potter, corrected, and adopted.

Mrs. Herron moved that a telegram be sent Mrs. Rust, announcing her unanimous election as Corresponding Secretary of the Society. Carried-By common consent, Mrs. Fisk was delegated to send the telegram.

The President announced that the remaining elections would be postponed until Tuesday morning, and the program for the afternoon followed.

Mrs. Carver, of California, gave a verbal report of her Conference Society, indicating great interest and enthusiasm in the work, which includes the Japanese and Chinese mission-work, the Deaconess Home and Training-school, and four Indian schools, in addition.

On motion, this report was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of Minnesota and Northern Minnesota Conference Societies was presented by Mrs. John Taylor, Secretary; and North Ohio, by Mrs. Dawson, Secretary *pro tem*.

On motion, these reports were adopted. (See Reports.)

The report of the Board of Managers of the National Training-school, Washington, D. C., was given by Mrs. C. L. Roach, in the absence of Mrs. H. M. Teller.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Dr. A. H. Ames, Superintendent of the Deaconess Home and Training-school, gave an exhaustive report, and closed with a glowing tribute to the heart of the Home, the beloved preceptress, Miss Christine B. Dickinson.

On motion, the report was accepted (See Report.)

Mrs. Robinson asked that an abstract of the report be prepared for our Church papers, also for Woman's Home Missions.

On motion of Mrs. Everett, it was ordered that this be done.

Mrs. Robinson stated that the Board of Managers had asked that support for twenty-five deaconesses be assured, and that of this number ten had not yet been pledged. The following pledges were then made: North Ohio Conference, by Mrs. Dawson, \$100; Wyoming, by Mrs. Kulp, \$100; Northern New York, by Mrs. Hunt, \$100; Kansas, by Mrs. Fundis, \$100;

Detroit, by Mrs. Bliss, \$100; and Northwest Iowa, by Mrs. Negus, \$200. Vermont, by letter from Mrs. Elmer, \$100.

Mrs. Roach stated that she needed \$25 to replenish the wardrobe of a student in the training-school at Washington from Los Angeles, Cal. She added that Mrs. Kent, of East Orange, N. J., had already pledged \$5 of this amount. The balance was then promptly raised, Mrs. Day giving \$10; Mrs. Roach, \$1; Mrs. Griffin, Mrs. Park, Mrs. Dale, and Miss Van Marter, \$2 each; and a friend, \$1.

The report of Sibley Hospital was given by Mrs. D. B. Street, of Washington, D. C., who closed with a hearty tribute to Dr. Ames, the Superintendent of the Deaconess Home and Training-school.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

In accordance with a suggestion by Mrs. Robinson, it was moved and carried that two leaflets be prepared from this report.

Mrs. Robinson asked that Conference Managers interest themselves to find self-supporting students in their own Conferences, also that ministers be requested to provide books necessary, and that ladies furnish wardrobes when needed for students from their own Conferences.

On suggestion of Mrs. Fisk, it was moved and carried that the twentyfive dollars given for student's wardrobe be credited to the Auxiliary of the First Church, Springfield, Ill.

Announcements were made, and the Convention adjourned to visit the Lincoln monument, and reassemble at 7.30 P. M.

### Monday Evening.

THE President, Mrs. Fisk, resumed the chair, and the devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. A. H. Ames, D. D.

The Minutes of the afternoon meeting were read by Miss Van Marter, and adopted.

The reports of Conference Societies were submitted by the Corresponding Secretaries, as follows: New England, by Mrs. S. W. Floyd; North Indiana, by Mrs. L. H. Bunyan; North Nebraska, by Mrs. William Esplin; and New Jersey, by Mrs. Wells.

On motion, these reports were adopted. (See Reports.)

The Rev. W. F. Sheridan, of Detroit, delivered an excellent and forceful address on "Deaconess Work and City Evangelization."

After singing the hymn, "A charge to keep I have," the report of the Bureau for Deaconess Work was submitted by the Secretary, Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Adjourned to meet Tuesday at 9 A. M. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Mr. Sheridan.

## Tuesday Morning.

THE President, Mrs. Fisk, called the Convention to order, and Mrs. E. E. Marcy conducted the devotional exercises.

The Minutes of Monday evening were read by Mrs. Aiken, and adopted.

The report of the West Texas Conference was read by its Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. E. S. Spriggs, and adopted. (See Report.)

By request, Mrs. Spriggs sang two verses of "Put de cookies on de lower shelf."

<sub>6</sub>On motion of Mrs. Aiken, Mrs. Spriggs was invited to speak of her personal efforts in behalf of the special work of this Conference. Mrs. Spriggs spoke of the encouraging success that had crowned her efforts, and stated the desire of her people to have the Industrial Home located at Austin, Texas.

On motion, the matter of location was referred to the Finance Committee.

The report of the Louisiana Conference was read by Mrs. Walker, the Corresponding Secretary, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

By request of Mrs. Hickman, Mrs. Walker sweetly sang several verses of "What's the news?"

The reports of Pittsburg Conference, presented by Mrs. Charles Smith; and of Newark, by Mrs. Woodruff, were, on motion, adopted. (See Reports.)

Mrs. Herron offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was adopted:

Resolved, That this Convention send loving greetings to its devoted friend and co-worker, Mrs. J. I. Boswell, together with the expression of sincere regret that she is unable to be with us at this time, and the earnest hope that with returning health and strength, she may again be with us, and bless us with her wise counsel and sweet spirit.

On motion of Mrs. Aiken, Mrs. Smith was instructed to convey to Mrs. Schoyer, Secretary of the Pittsburg Conference, the assurance of the great sympathy of the Society in her personal affliction.

Mrs. Everett, Secretary of the Special Committee on By-laws, submitted a report, which, on motion, was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Tomkinson desired that the By-laws adopted at the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers in 1895 be printed in the Fifteenth Annual Report. Mrs. Robinson moved that the old and the revised Constitution, together with the revised By-laws of 1895, with those of this year, be published in the Fifteenth Annual Report. Mrs. Green moved, as a substitute, that the By-laws as revised last year, together with the By-laws revised at this Annual Meeting, shall be published in the Fifteenth Annual Report as the By-laws for the ensuing year. The substitute was, on motion, adopted.

Mrs. Herron presented the recommendation of the Corresponding

Secretary, Mrs. Rust, as to provisional action under the proposed revised form of Constitution. An animated discussion followed, involving legal opinions and decisions, and personal views and preferences, participated in by Ladies Herron, Robinson, Roach, Albright, Green, Tomkinson, Williams, and Murphy.

A motion was presented by Mrs. Hickman, that the recommendation of Mrs. Rust as to provisional action under the revised Constitution be not adopted. (Carried.)

Mrs. Robinson inquired whether it was to be the understanding that the revised By-laws should be printed in the Fifteenth Annual Report, except those that were in conflict with the present Constitution, and was answered in the affirmative.

Questions were asked as to the legality of the office of Provisional Manager. Mrs. Hickman and Mrs. Robinson were of the opinion, based on legal advice, that the appointment of Provisional Managers was unconstitutional. Mrs. Roach was glad that this decision had been made known before the election of Managers.

Mrs. Herron presented the recommendation from the report of the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Rust, in regard to the appointment of a Supervisory Committee, which should take into consideration the general work of the Society, and the claims of each department.

On motion, the recommendation was adopted, as follows:

That a Committee be appointed, to include the President and Treasurer of the Society, the Secretary of the Deaconess Bureau, and the editor of Woman's Home Missions, whose duty it shall be to take into consideration all the facts bearing upon this question, and report to the General Executive Board at the April meeting, when assignments of Missionaries are made, and to the subsequent Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers.

Mrs. Robinson moved that the number of this Special Committee be seven, and that the chair appoint a committee of three which shall nominate three members of this Supervisory Committee. (Carried.)

Mrs. Aiken stated that Mrs. W. A Goodman, Jr., who had recently returned from Europe, had expected to be present at this meeting, but was now in attendance upon her invalid mother in New York, and sent regret and love to all the ladies whose self-sacrificing work is always an inspiration.

The order of elections was then resumed, and the ballot ordered for the nomination of Managers.

The report of the Bureau for Systematic Beneficence, Mrs. James Mather, Secretary, was read by Mrs. Aiken, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Kynett submitted the appended resolutions, which, on motion, were adopted:

WHEREAS, In the providence of God, we have been bereaved by the death of our fellow-worker, Rev. William Swindells, D. D., a member of the Advisory Council of the Deaconess Home, Philadelphia; therefore,

Resolved, That while we bow in submission to the Divine decree that

so suddenly arrested our brother in the midst of usefulness in life, we de-

sire to express our sorrow and regret at his removal from us.

Resolved, That we hereby record our great appreciation of his love for and interest in the work of our Society, especially his cordial support and help during the last General Conference.

Mrs. Herron read the report of the Bennett Industrial Home, as prepared by Mrs. Rust. Upper Iowa Conference pledged for missionaries' salary, \$400; Wyoming, \$200; Mrs. Bennett, for assistant teacher, \$200; and for repairs, \$100.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Samuel Hazlett, Secretary of the Bureau for Young People's Work, asked permission to have suitable blanks for reports prepared, a leaflet issued, and consent to appoint assistants in Conferences where none had been appointed by the Conference Society. In answer to objections to such appointment of Secretaries in organized Conferences, Mrs. Hazlett said she proposed consultation with the Conference Board, and with this understanding the permission was granted.

Mrs. Aiken read the report of the Committee on Publication, Mrs. Hoyt, Chairman, which was discussed, and, on motion, recommendations 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 were adopted, but 6 was laid on the table.

Mrs. Murphy spoke of the need of leaflets setting forth in detail the needs, regulations, and rules concerning the work of the Washington Training-school.

The reports of Michigan Conference, by Mrs. Masters; of Nebraska, by Mrs. Woodcock; and of Northwest Iowa, by Mrs. Negus, were read, and, on motion, adopted. (See Reports.)

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet at two P. M.

### Tuesday Afternoon.

THE meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Fisk, and the devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Crow.

The Minutes of the morning session were read by Mrs. Albright, and adopted.

Mrs. W. M. Ampt, Chairman of the Committee on Mite-boxes, gave her

report, which, on motion, was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Gallagher moved that the concert lesson to be prepared for auxiliaries be placed in the hands of a Special Committee, which shall consist of Mrs T. P. Frost and others. (Carried.)

The tellers then reported the results of the informal ballot for Managers, as follows: Mrs. W. M. Ampt, 82; Mrs. Anna Kent, 79; Mrs. I. D. Jones, 77; Mrs. G. H. Thompson, 76; Mrs. W. L. Boswell, 70; Mrs. W. A. Goodman, Jr., 68; Mrs. J. W. Gosling, 67; Mrs. J. L. Whetstone, 65; Mrs. Jas. Dale, 62; Mrs. M. T. Carey, 56; Mrs. E. L. Albright, 55; Mrs. Lewis Curts, 46.

On motion, the Recording Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the Convention for these persons, and they were declared elected.

Mrs. Anna Kent stated that a Mexican woman, who had learned of the Harwood Industrial Home at Albuquerque, N. M., desired to help this work, and had sent as her donation a lounge portiere of Roman colors. Mrs. Kent added that she expressed the wish of the ladies in its bestowment upon our beloved Recording Secretary, Mrs. F. A. Aiken, as a small gift in acknowledgment of her many years of faithful and efficient service; and that \$24 of the money contributed would be credited to the auxiliary of First Church, Springfield, Ill., and \$10 to Mrs. Murphy for an auxiliary in Iowa Conference—the entire sum, \$34, to be used for memorial windows in Harwood Home.

In accepting this testimonial from her sisters in loving service, Mrs. Aiken, with visible emotion, expressed her appreciation in tenderest words, and the cord that binds Christian hearts together vibrated into sweetest vocal strains of "Shall we gather at the river?"

The subscriptions were as appended: Mrs. Kent, \$1; Mrs. Fisk, 50 cents; Mrs. Park, 50 cents; Mrs. Day, \$1; Mrs. Woodruff, 50 cents; Miss Van Marter, 50 cents; Mrs. Bickley, 50 cents; Mrs. Kynett, 50 cents; Mrs. Negus, 50 cents; Mrs. Street, 50 cents; Mrs. Neff, 50 cents; Mrs. Brown, 25 cents; Miss Cummings, 25 cents; Mrs. Ozier, 25 cents; Mrs. Bigelow, 25 cents; Mrs. Master, 25 cents; Mrs. Hall, 25 cents; Friend, 10 cents; Mrs. Green, 25 cents; Mrs. Thompson, 50 cents; Mrs. Albright, 50 cents; Mrs. Beiler, 25 cents; Mrs. Robinson, 50 cents; Mrs. Kulp, \$1; Mrs. Goewey, 25 cents; Mrs. Hazlett, \$1; Mrs. Williams, \$2; Mrs. Carey, \$1; Mrs. Dale, 50 cents; Mrs. Smith, 50 cents; Mrs. Hedges, 25 cents; Mrs. Tomkinson, 25 cents; Friend, 10 cents; Mrs. Gallagher, 25 cents; Mrs. A. T. Wells, 25 cents; Miss Webster, 10 cents; Mrs. Everett, 25 cents; Mrs. Bunyan, 25 cents; Mrs. Woodcock, 25 cents; Mrs. Davis, 25 cents; Mrs. Brubaker, 25 cents; Mrs. Bush, 25 cents; Mrs. Crawford, 50 cents; Mrs. Latimer, 25 cents; Friend, 10 cents; Mrs. Simpson, \$1; Mrs. Griffin, \$1; Mrs. Schmidlapp, 25 cents; Mrs. Adams, 25 cents; Mrs. Herron, 25 cents; Mrs. Secor, 60 cents; Mrs. Floyd, 25 cents; Mrs. McCabe, 25 cents; Mrs. Tregaskis, 25 cents; Mrs. Murphy, \$10.

The report of Committee on Day of Humiliation and Prayer was submitted by Mrs. Negus, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. McCabe and Mrs. M. H. Davis were added to the Committee to consider the program suggested for the Day of Humiliation and Prayer. On motion, adjourned to meet at 7.30 P. M.

## Tuesday Morning.

THE session was opened at 7.30 o'clock, with Mrs. Fisk in the chair.

Mrs. Robinson conducted the devotional exercises, and called for a
number of Scripture promises, which were heartily given, after
which she led in prayer.

The Minutes of the afternoon session were read by Mrs. Albright, corrected, and adopted.

Mrs. Robinson asked, since she was obliged to leave the Convention this evening, that a new Chairman of the Committee on *Woman's Home Missions* be appointed, and moved that Mrs. Gallagher, of Maine, take her place. The motion prevailed.

Mrs. Robinson spoke of the Deaconess Rest Home at Ocean Grove, N. J., and called attention to the earnest work of Mrs. Kent and Mrs. Day, of New Jersey, both of whom have given largely of time, strength, and money to make the Home a success. She asked that at the proper time an appropriation be made for this Home. On motion of Mrs. Aiken, the request was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mrs. Robinson asked that our newly-elected Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary be instructed to procure such helpers as may be needed.

On motion, referred to the Committee on Finance.

The election of officers was resumed. Honorary Vice-Presidents, as nominated by the General Executive Board, were then confirmed. (See page 2.)

Mrs. Aiken submitted the nominations for Bureau Secretaries, which were also confirmed. (See pages 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11.)

On motion of Mrs. W. G. Williams, Mrs. G. H. Thompson, Mrs. James Dale, and Mr. Richard Dymond were elected Auditors.

Mrs. Robinson asked that Mrs. M. T. Carey should be permitted to take pledges for additional subscriptions to *Woman's Home Missions*, and in response the following were made:

Baltimore Conference, by Mrs. Roach, 200; California, by Mrs. Carver, 50; Central New York, by Mrs. Rulison, 50; Central Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Crawford, 25; Des Moines, by Mrs. Webb, 50; Detroit, by Mrs. Bigelow, 50; Cincinnati, by Mrs. Taylor, 100; Genesee, by Mrs. Green, 50; Michigan, by Mrs. Masters, 100; Newark, by Mrs. Woodruff, 50; New England Southern, by Mrs. Tregaskis, 100; New York, by Mrs. Park, 50; New York East, by Mrs. Secor, 50; Northwest Iowa, by Mrs. Negus, 50; Oklahoma, by Mrs. Murray, 50; Rock River, by Mrs. Marcy, 100; Southwest Kansas, by Mrs. Martindale, 50; Troy, by Mrs. Simpson, 50; Upper Iowa, by Mrs. Murphy, 40; Wilmington, by Mrs. Brown, 50; and Wyoming, by Mrs. Kulp, 100.

For Children's Home Missions: Baltimore Conference, by Mrs. Roach, 160; Central New York, by Mrs. Rulison, 50; Central Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Crawford, 50; Des Moines, by Mrs. Webb, 50; Detroit, by Mrs.

Bigelow, 50; Cincinnati, by Mrs. Taylor, 100; Genesee, by Mrs. Green, 50; Newark, by Mrs. Woodruff, 50; New York, by Mrs. Park, 50; New York East, by Mrs. Secor, 50; Northwest Iowa, by Mrs. Negus, 50; Southwest Kansas, by Mrs. Martindale, 50; Troy, by Mrs. Simpsou, 50; Upper Iowa, by Mrs. Murphy, 100; and Wilmington, by Mrs. Brown, 50.

Mrs. Price A. Crow, Secretary of the Committee on Place of Meeting, reported invitations received from Baltimore and Pittsburg, also one from Kansas City for 1898. The Committee recommended that the invitation from Baltimore be accepted. A majority vote decided in favor of Baltimore

Mrs. Aiken offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That Mrs. Smith be requested to convey to Emory Church, Pittsburg, Pa., an expression of our appreciative acknowledgment of the cordial invitation received through the Committee on Place of Annual Meeting, with the wish that we may hope to enjoy this proffered hospitality at some future time.

The following nominations were duly confirmed: Miss Frances A. Fish, editor of Annual Report; Mrs. L. D. McCabe, editor Woman's Home Missions; Miss Martha Van Marter, editor Children's Home Missions; Miss Mary Belle Evans, Publisher; Mrs. B. S. Potter and Mrs. M. L. Woodruff, General Organizers; Miss Frances A. Fish, Office Secretary.

Mrs. Woodruff sang "When the roll is called up yonder." A motion to adjourn until Wednesday 9 A. M. prevailed. The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Mr. Reed.

### Wednesday Morning.

THE President, Mrs. Fisk, occupied the chair, and the devotional exercises were in charge of Miss Annie Cummings. The Minutes of Tuesday evening were read by Miss Van Marter, and, on motion, adopted.

The reports of Conference Societies were read, as follows: Central Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Tomkinson; Troy, by Mrs. Simpson; Erie, by Miss Cummings; Upper Iowa, by Mrs. Gould; and New England Southern, by Mrs. Tregaskis.

On motion, these reports were adopted. (See Reports.)

Mrs. Gould was requested to bear a message of greeting to Mrs. Alspaugh, the absent Secretary of the Upper Iowa Conference.

The report of the Committee on Bequest and Devise—Mrs. Dymond, Chairman—was offered by Mrs. Herron, and, for want of time, referred to the Annual Report without reading.

Mrs. R. S. Rust, Mrs. G. H. Thompson, and Mrs. W. A. Goodman, Jr., were nominated by the Special Committee of Three as members to be

added to Committee on Unification of the Work of the Society, and, on motion, confirmed.

Mrs. McCabe called attention to financial matters pertaining to *Children's Home Missions*, and, by common consent, this was referred to the Finance Committee.

Mrs. Negus gave an interesting account of the Iowa State Woman's Home Missionary Association, and presented Mrs. Murphy as its President. Mrs. Murphy wished it to be understood that Mrs. Negus had been largely instrumental in forming this organization, from which they expected to derive so much benefit. The President, Mrs. Fisk, suggested that other Conferences go and do likewise.

Mrs. Aiken submitted the recommendation from the General Executive Board that Mrs. Murphy be appointed Secretary of the Bureau for Texas.

On motion, the recommendation was approved.

At this point, Mrs. Crawford said that for some years she had been earning, by the labor of her own hand in embroidery, various sums of money, which she had been giving to the work of the Society, and she now desired to give \$20 accumulated in this way. It was her wish to place this as a memorial of a beautiful boy whom God had given her and then taken to himself. She wished to make her dear boy a life member of the Society, and with the money purchase a flag, to be placed over the Training-school at Washington. This gift was accepted with earnest thanks.

Mrs. Fisk spoke of the appeal of Mrs. Murray for a flag for the Adeline Springer Home in our Indian Mission, and of the life-long devotion of her husband, General Clinton B. Fisk, to the cause of these wronged and scattered people, and now wished, in memory of him, to donate this flag, from money earned by her own hands.

Mrs. Murray asked that the ladies would unite with her in thanking Mrs. Fisk, which was done by a rising vote.

Mrs. Herron stated the usual custom of the Society in sending to the meeting of the Missionary Committee the list of appropriations made at this Annual Meeting, and asked that Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Hazlett, of the Pittsburg Conference, be appointed to this duty, and the request was granted.

Mrs. Roach moved that Mrs. Tomkinson, Miss Van Marter, and Mrs. Gallagher be appointed a Committee to report on the advisability of issuing, in leaflet form, a monthly concert lesson, the report to be given at the afternoon session. Carried.

On motion, the Convention adjourned until 1.45 P. M.

## Wednesday Afternoon.

THE session was called to order at 1.45 o'clock, with Mrs. Fisk in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Gallagher, of Maine.

The President spoke a few words of tender appreciation of the women of our Society who gather up the crumbs.

The Minutes of the morning session were read by Mrs. Albright, and, on motion, adopted.

The report of Vermont Conference was read by Mrs. Herron for the absent Secretary, Mrs. E. C. Elmer, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Hickman asked that a vote of thanks be given Mrs. Hazlett for the beautiful banner for the Reading Circle, which she so generously gave the Society. This vote was heartily given.

On motion of Miss Cummings, a vote of thanks was given the editor of the *Monitor* for the gift of a picture of the church in which we have convened.

The report of the Committee on Missionary Candidates was submitted by its Chairman, Mrs. Herron, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Reports were given by Mrs. Kent for the English Mission of New Mexico; by Mrs. Hunt for Northern New York Conference; by Mrs. Gallagher for Maine Conference; and, on motion, adopted. (See Reports.)

The report of the Committee on Beneficiaries was presented by Mrs. W. G. Williams, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Committee on Insurance, submitted by its Chairman, Mrs. G. H. Thompson, was referred for publication in the Annual Report, without reading. She, however, asked direction concerning cyclonic insurance. On motion, this question was left to the judgment of the Committee.

Mrs. Albright offered the appended resolution, which, on motion, was adopted:

Resolved, That we gratefully appreciate the services of Mrs. Sarah True Drake, of New Jersey, who has faithfully secured the preparation of the Concert Lesson during the last year.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was read by Mrs. Floyd, and adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. B. S. Potter and Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff, General Organizers, presented reports of work done during the year.

On motion, adopted. (See Reports)

North Ohio Conference, through Mrs. Williams, speaking for Mrs. Hedges, pledged \$60 for the support of a beneficiary in the E. L. Rust Home; Iowa Conference, \$60 for one beneficiary in Adeline Smith Home; and Erie Conference, through Miss Cummings, \$50 for Trinity Church, Oil City, Pa., for beneficiary in Mothers' Jewels Home.

"My Jesus, as thou wilt," was sung, and, on motion, the Convention adjourned to give the Finance Committee time to complete its unfinished business, and then reassemble.

On adjournment of Finance Committee, the Convention was called to order by the President, Mrs. Fisk, and the report of Committee on Lesson Leaf was presented by Mrs. Tomkinson and adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Finance Committee was submitted, and adopted.

(See Report.)

The Minutes of the closing session were read by Miss Van Marter, and adopted.

In closing the Convention, Mrs. Fisk referred with much feeling to the large number of earnest, devoted women who had remained to finish the business, and spoke in fitting words of the spirit of perfect harmony that had prevailed at every session.

Unique in its hospitality, extended with kindliness and cordiality, the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Springfield, Illinois, will have a permanent place in the memory of all who enjoyed the sweet ministries of its members while intent upon the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, for love of Christ and in His Name.

MRS. F. A. AIKEN, RECORDING SECRETARY.
MRS. E. L. ALBRIGHT,
MRS. B. S. POTTER,
MISS MARTHA VAN MARTER,
MRS. T. J. EVERETT,

Assistants.

# REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY,

### MRS. R. S. RUST.

Providential circumstances have made it impossible to prepare for this, the Fifteenth Annual Meeting of the General Board of Managers, a full report of what has been accomplished during the year, with such recommendations as the interests of the work in the present aspect of affairs demand. The carefully-prepared Quadrennial Report to the General Conference furnishes valuable information in regard to the general interests and achievements of the Society, which will encourage our hearts, strengthen our hands, and aid in forming correct conclusions in the prosecution of our work. We can only submit a few suggestions for the consideration of the General Board of Managers, resulting from extensive correspondence, personal observation, and a careful study of the field.

#### ENCOURAGING FACTS.

The work of the last quadrennium has been carried forward under the embarrassment of unusual financial pressure, and yet the results, compared with previous years, are most encouraging. The receipts of the last four years exceed by \$95,344.26 those of preceding quadrenniums (see following table), or the sum of the receipts of the Society from its organization up to October, 1891, eleven years and three months. This result is the more remarkable because the last quadrennium, by reason of the change of date of closing the fiscal year, lacks three months of being four full years, and includes the period of the greatest financial struggle in the country.

During the quadrennium our missionaries have not been withdrawn from a single station for lack of support, and our appropriations for the frontiers have steadily advanced. In 1892 the Society owned property worth \$225,000. In 1896 we reported to the General Conference, mission buildings, Industrial, Model, and Deaconess Homes valued at \$450,000, and to the General Board of Managers in October, \$465,800. In 1892 the Society did not own a single Deaconess Home, and had comparatively few trained deaconesses in the field. Now its Deaconess Homes are worth \$143,000, and it has 150 trained women in this service, which, with the 80 experienced missionaries laboring in the frontiers, South and West, make a corps of service of not less than 250, not including the large number of local workers associated with our deaconesses and missionaries.

The following table, showing by quadrenniums the receipts of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, furnishes a pleasing assurance for the

future development of the resources and work of the Society in the fact of its steady growth from its organization. The table includes annual and life membership dues, donations, collections, and bequests. Mission supplies are credited at a carefully estimated value. The moneys for deaconess and local mission work are paid to the respective institutions by the donors, and reported by voucher to the General Treasurer.

### QUADRENNIAL RECEIPTS.

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DEBT DIMINISHED. \$95,324 26

From 1888 to 1891 we had an average annual increase in cash receipts of nearly \$20,000. This stimulated the rapid extension of the work. Pledges for the erection of buildings were made. Later financial conditions in the country made collections difficult. At the close of the year 1892-93 we had accumulated a debt to our special funds of \$28,401.36, and of nearly \$20,000 to outside parties.

By careful management and retrenchment wherever possible, we were enabled so far to reduce this, that our last report, July, 1895, shows a debt of only \$10,679.23 to special funds, and \$15,403.33 to outside parties—a total of \$26,082.56. During the two years of the severest financial pressure throughout the country, the debt was reduced nearly one-half, and could easily be met in a year of ordinary prosperity.

#### THE YEAR'S WORK.

We have great reason for rejoicing in view of the results of last year's work. Additional organizations have been formed, and, notwithstanding the severity of the times, our officers and members all over the Church have been inspired with courage and unwavering faith that the next year will be more propitious, and record even greater successes than the past. During the year our missionaries have been kept in the field, and the work has been extended and strengthened in many places. In Alaska appropriations have been made to secure the completion of the Jesse Lee School building. At Albuquerque the Harwood Industrial School edifice has been finished and furnished at a cost of over \$7,000, and the school was opened early in the spring with most encouraging prospects. At Asheville, the Industrial School, for which \$5,000 was appropriated, has been placed under roof, and is progressing satisfactorily. Improvements, additions, and repairs of considerable importance have been made at several other places. A large number of young women of education and high Christian character have offered themselves for our missionary and deaconess service. Some of these have the means to meet the expense of a course of preparatory training, while others require more or less of assistance.

The charter of our training-school at Washington requires that a Manager shall be appointed in each Conference to awaken interest in its behalf, secure funds, and enlist students. These ladies have responded with enthusiasm to every request that has been made for co-operation. Conference Boards for Deaconesses are realizing the advantage of a well-established organization of women to aid in securing support and in providing supervision for the work.

It is very encouraging that the cash receipts of the Society for this year exceed those of the last by \$22,000.68, and especially that the greatest increase has been in the contributions to the General Fund, which exceeds that of last year by \$12,792.17.

### BEQUESTS.

We have reason to rejoice in the increased number of bequests made during the past year to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Our friends and members all over the Church are remembering in their prayers and wills this Society, which is doing so much for the evangelization of our own country, and many who have not the money at their command to aid us in the prosecution of our work, thus make provision for its future support. It is especially gratifying to us to be remembered in this way by our sisters, as ours is an organization of women, and it is no less encouraging to know that the Church has confidence in the ability and integrity of the administration by her women of benevolent funds.

The amount from bequests actually paid into the treasury since our last report is \$3,085, less than was expected because of the difficulty ex-

ecutors experience these hard times in settling estates and collecting moneys. The amount of bequests admitted to probate and in course of settlement is about \$16,000. There are also several bequests the amounts of which are indefinite, and others which have been referred to the Courts of Chancery for adjustment, the amounts of which of course, can not be given.

#### CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.

At the Annual Meeting held at Columbus, Ohio, October, 1895, several changes in the Constitution, necessary to harmonize this legal document with the laws of the State of Ohio and the present needs of the work, were agreed upon, and ordered to be submitted to the next General Conference for approval, as required by the Constitution.

Your Committee appointed to look after the interests of the Society at the General Conference (the President and Corresponding Secretary) presented to that body, early in the session, copies of these recommendations. This communication was referred to the Committee on Missions, and by that Committee to a Special Committee. Your representatives had conference with this Special Committee, making to its members the necessary explanations, and giving reasons for the changes proposed. These were deemed satisfactory, and a favorable report, indorsing the requests was made to the General Committee, which in its turn cordially approved the recommendations of our Society.

The Committee on Missions gave to the Daily Advocate for publication the Constitution of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, as it had been in force, and the Constitution with the proposed changes, which were printed in adjoining columns in the issue of May 23d, it being the custom of the General Conference so to publish, for the information of delegates, memorials and communications approved by committees, preparatory to bringing them before the body for action.

We urged upon the Chairman and other members of the Committee on Missions, the importance of seeing that the necessary changes in the Constitution of the Society be made by the General Conference. Toward the close of the session there was a great stress of business, and the Chairman of the Committee on Missions did not obtain the floor until the morning of the day of adjournment. When your Corresponding Secretary left the hall at 10.30 A. M., the Chairman was on the platform making his report, and she had no idea but that he would bring up the subject of our Constitution as expected. We wrote to him at an early date, inquiring about its fate. He responded that it was no fault of our Committee, no fault of the Mission Committee, and no fault of its Chairman, that it did not reach the Conference for approval, but it was simply for the want of time.

We immediately instituted inquiries as to what could be done to relieve the embarrassment that would be caused by a delay of four years in securing the proposed amendments to our Constitution. Considering these amendments item by item, we find that the changes proposed are in some cases necessary to harmonize the Constitution with the Charter requirements and the Discipline, and to embody in the Constitution modifications in methods that have grown out of the necessities of the work, and have been in operation under By-laws for several years. Most of the changes are in verbiage alone, and involve no Constitutional question whatever. We have been assured by those who are regarded as authority on questions of Church polity that our modified Constitution may be adopted provisionally, and in part put in force at once. Among those who have given this opinion are Bishops Ninde and Walden, and our attorney, Wm. F. Boyd, Esq., agrees with this view, and approves of the following suggestions as a safe adjustment of the question.

The first change is in Article II, which states the object of the Society. The only change in this is the addition of the words "deaconess work." This brings our Constitution into harmony with the action of the General Conference, that has clearly given to our Society the right to provide for the training and employment of deaconesses in our work in this country. (See Discipline, paragragh 210, page 209.)

Section 1, Article III, gives the names of the officers of the Society. The revised Constitution provides that the seven Associate ("Provisional") Managers and the Secretaries of Bureaus shall be entitled to sit with the Board of twenty-one Trustees, and participate in its deliberations, without the privilege of voting, which would conflict with the legal quorum of the Board, and consequently endanger our title to property. This does not change either the Charter obligations or the legislative body, and since it has been our practice, by common consent, for several years to profit by the presence and advice of these ladies, it really involves no change either in practice or in law.

Again, the Society holds its Charter under the laws of the State of Ohio, which specify that the body in any corporation which, in its duties, corresponds with "The General Executive Board" of our Society, shall be known as the "Board of Trustees." They require in our case that this Board shall consist of twenty-one members, and that a "majority of the Board of Trustees shall be the legal quorum." Since the statutes demand this change of term, it would be proper to adopt it at once, and denominate our Executive Board the Board of Trustees. This is required to bring our Constitution into harmony with State laws. Judge Hagans, when our legal adviser, recommended us to make this change; that this, being merely the adoption of the technical term required by law, was not subject to, and did not affect, our relation to the General Conference.

Section 2, Article III, recognizes the Act of Incorporation, and relates to the General Board of Managers. It provides that this shall consist of "the members of the Board of Trustees of the Society, and such of the

<sup>\*</sup>The revised Constitution as printed in the Daily Advocate, with signature of Chairman and Secretary of the Mission Committee, has been printed in slips, and can be had on application to the general office of the Society, 222 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, O.

following persons as shall be in attendance at the Annual Meeting of that year; namely, the Associate Managers, the Secretaries of Bureaus, the General Organizers, the Chairmen for the time being of such standing committees as may be appointed by the Society at its Annual Meeting, the editor and publisher of Woman's Home Missions, the editor of Children's Home Missions, the editor of the Annual Report, and the Corresponding Secretary of, and one delegate from, each Conference Society." We are advised that this can be adopted provisionally, so far as to admit these additional persons to sit with, and participate in, the counsels of the body, but not to vote. This enables the Board to profit by their knowledge of the work and its requirements, without interfering with charter limitations.

Section 3, Article III, specifies the duties of the annual sessions of the General Board of Managers, and simply embodies in the Constitution what has been provided for by By-laws suggested by the necessities of the work, and adopted in the practice of the Society.

Sections 4 to 9, inclusive, are not materially changed, except No. 9 which provides for the election by ballot of an Auditing Committee, which has been done for several years.

The changes in Article IV, Conference organizations, do not interfere with charter obligations, and most of them are changes in expression, and not in thought. (No. 5. Section 4, of Article IV, should read in the printed slip—Conference Board, and of the Board of Trustees—the italicized words being omitted by accident.) Those in Article V, Auxiliary Societies, are of the same character. Article VI is unchanged. Article VII defines the relation of the Society to other branches of Church-work. The changes consist in the elimination of paragraphs which have become a dead letter. Article VIII, the last, is unchanged.

We recommend that in the Annual Report, following the Constitution as it has been in force, we have printed the Constitution as revised, with explanatory foot-notes.

The By-laws as amended may go into force at once.

After thus carefully comparing these items of change with the original, it is evident that, aside from modifications in verbiage, which do not interfere with the thought expressed, there are but three important changes suggested: 1st. The addition of the words "deaconess work," authorized by the Discipline. 2d. The using of the legal term "trustees" by authority of State laws. 3d. The bringing into the Board of Managers, as members, certain persons who, by virtue of their duties, are essentially a part of the Society, and valuable in its councils.

To change the *voting* membership of the legislative body without the action of the General Conference would not be legal; but there is no legal objection to the presence of these ladies as counselors. By common consent of the body they can be given the privilege of a candid hearing, just as any individual with an important message would be heard with interest and respect.

The Constitution and Charter limit membership in the Board of Trustees (Executive Board) to twenty-one, and it being desirable to bring into its counsels a larger number of persons, who would represent other parts of the country, and other interests, an advisory relation of additional members was suggested by the Executive Board, and adopted by the General Board of Managers five years ago as a recommendation for a change in the Constitution; and since that time this Board has elected, annually, "provisional" or associate managers, who have rendered valuable service as counselors. This action was taken by a meeting of the General Board of Managers, held within the bounds of the State of Ohio. The Society being incorporated under the laws of Ohio, constitutional changes should only be made at an Annual Meeting of the Society, held by regular appointment within the State limits.

For the confirmation of the views herein set forth, and the advantage to our Society from their adoption, the Secretary recommends that the Constitution, as revised, with foot-notes explaining the limitations, be printed in the Annual Report, following the Constitution as it has been in force.

#### MEMORIAL.

Your Committee presented to the General Conference a memorial asking that the blank furnished the ministers for making their report to the Annual Conference should be so arranged as to include two items. "cash" and "supplies," in order to represent the two classes of receipts of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. We explained to the Mission Committee, to which it had been referred, that this was essential in order that the receipts of the Society might be correctly recorded in the Minutes of the several Annual Conferences, and that their reports might correspond with those of the General Society, since it reports cash and supplies separately. We claimed that it was due our Society, which last year sent out to our ministers in the frontiers \$113,000 worth of supplies, and due the Church, that it be made possible for its Department of Supplies to be correctly represented in the Conference reports. This shared the same fate as our amendments to the Constitution, although it had been thoroughly discussed and approved by the Committee on Missions; but it also was lost for want of time to act upon it.

Illustrative of the multitude of testimony as to the good work done by our Society in the frontiers, Dr. Martindale, at the late anniversary, said: "But for what the Woman's Home Missionary Society gives our preachers, we could not stay in Northwest Kansas."

#### DEACONESS LEGISLATION.

To obtain a clear understanding of this, it is necessary to consider the history of the movement, which led to the action of the last General Conference. The Woman's Home Missionary Society was established to enlist and organize the women of Methodism in hehalf of home missions. Its

missions were in successful operation in the frontiers and in cities, when the General Conference in 1888 provided for the consecration of women qualified as deaconesses, and for the supervision of their work by the Church. The next meeting of the General Board of Managers, held October, 1888, adopted measures to carry out the plan of the Church, and offered its organization, in each Conference, to the Board of Nine, to aid in providing the support of deaconesses. The Society understood that, according to the legislation of 1888, it was the privilege of the Board of Deaconesses to determine and employ the agency in any locality best adapted, in its judgment, to secure success.

Nine Deaconess Homes and the Training-school at Washington had been established by our Society, when, in 1892, the General Conference was asked to change the Discipline as to deaconess work, so as to limit it to an independent General Conference organization. The Conference, by a large majority, declined to take this action. This practically sanctioned the practice of our Society in deaconess work, and left Conference Deaconess Boards free to determine the question of support, as provided by the action of 1888. Encouraged by this approval the number of Deaconess Homes, conducted under the anspices of the Society, had increased to nineteen before the meeting of the General Conference in 1896.

Early in 1896 a Joint Committee was appointed to prepare a memorial, to be presented to the General Conference, suggesting such changes in the Discipline as would be satisfactory to all interested in deaconess work. This Committee consisted of Bishop W. X. Ninde, Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, Mrs. R. S. Rust, Dr. James M. King, George O. Robinson, Esq., and Dr. Luther Wilson, on the part of our Society; Bishop Thoburn, Bishop Joyce, Mrs. Lucy Rider Meyers, Dr. W. N. Brodbeck, James Hobbs, Esq., Dr. H. C. Weakley, and J. W. Miller, Esq., representing the Independent Homes. The Committee agreed upon certain recommendations, which are embodied in paragraphs of the Discipline 205 to 212, inclusive. These define more fully the duties of the Conference Board of Nine, the relation of deaconesses to the Home and to the Conference, and are in harmony with the spirit of the legislation of 1888, especially in the recognition of the right of the Woman's Home Missionary Society to employ deaconesses in missionary work, and of the Conference Boards to use freedom of judgment, and act in the selection of agencies of support

Important action of the Joint Committee was not embodied in the memorial, lest it might reflect upon efforts which had been made by Conventions to enact legislation for the government of this movement outside of the provisions of the Discipline, and not in harmony with the sentiment of a large portion of the Church, as to the scope and intent of the deaconess legislation in 1888. It was agreed upon by the members of this Joint Committee that in all general meetings or Conventions, to be held in the interest of deaconess work, no legislation to govern the movement should be taken; but that these meetings should be held for the purpose of creating sentiment in favor of the movement, as provided for by the

Discipline, and as carried forward under the auspices of any agency approved by the Conference Boards; and that such meetings should be called and conducted in harmony with the advice of a Bishop of our Church.

#### INFLUENCE OF DEACONESS WORK.

Some of our members have expressed fears that should our Society engage in deaconess work to any great extent, it would interfere with our frontier missions. The experience of the last eight years furnishes convincing evidence that it aids rather than embarrasses our frontier work.

The appropriations made and paid to the work in the frontiers, South and West, during the five years ending July, 1895, the period in which the Society has been most actively engaged in deaconess work, including frontier Conference work and the York Orphanage, have increased from \$58,124 in 1891, to \$67,997 in 1895. The increase of the interest and receipts in behalf of the frontier field has been constant, and, in view of the times, very encouraging. The expenditures for the year ending October, 1895, exceeded by \$9,873—8.6 per cent—the expenditures in the same field during the year ending October, 1891. These sums were cash, and do not include the \$362,749 worth of supplies sent to these frontier fields during the same period.

The influence of deaconess work on the growth of the Society is clearly demonstrated by the figures of the following table, showing the receipts of Home Missionary moneys in several Conferences in 1888, prior to the employment of deaconesses, and the receipts of the same Conferences for the fiscal year ending August 1, 1895, after eight years of experience in this line of Home Missionary effort:

#### CONFERENCES IN WHICH DEACONESS WORK HAS NOT BEEN INTRODUCED.

	RECEIPTS 1895.	RECEIPTS 1588.	GAIN.
Central Ohio,		\$1,532 60	\$1,305 61
Central New York,	2,975 19	1,771 40	1,203 79
Erie	2,024 62	1,303 54	721 08
Upper Iowa		1,004 42	S09 01
North Ohio,	. 1,415 44	1,212 oS	203 36
Total receipts,	. \$11,066 S9	\$6,824 04 Increa	ise \$4,212 S5

#### CONFERENCES IN WHICH INDEPENDENT HOMES ARE MAINTAINED.

	1	RECEIPTS 1895.	RECEIPTS 1888.	GAIN.
Cincinnati,		\$3,523 59	\$2,950 So	\$572 79
New York,			1,910 28	179 27
New England,			2,536 25	1,165 11
New England South,			1,263 96	386 62
Troy,		. 2,394 65	3,693 45	Loss. 1,298 So
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Total receipts,		• \$13,359 73	\$12,354 74 1110	crease \$1.00.1 oo

# CONFERENCES IN WHICH DEACONES: HOMES ARE SUPPORTED BY WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

	RECEIPTS, 1895.			TOTAL		
Conferences.	Deaconess Fund.	Frontier Total, 1895.		RECEIPTS, 1888.	INCREASE.	
Baltimore,	\$4,761 39 1,135 39 2,414 56 3,777 99 2,521 76 1863 52	2,082 73 1,889 35 795 66 1,790 08	3,228 12 4,303 91 4,573 65 4,381 84	\$781 76 1,735 54 986 01 2,843 51 2,886 66 830 96	3,317 90 1,730 14 1,495 18	
Total,	\$16,544 61	\$10,372 28	\$26,928 89	\$10,064 44	\$16,864 45	

The group of Conferences represented in this table, where the Independent Homes are located, were those in which the Society in 1888 was most strongly intrenched. From this fact it would have been expected that its general work would have been only slightly disturbed by the introduction of the Independent Deaconess Homes, but it will be seen that in these five Conferences, where the Homes are conducted on the independent plan, comparing their total receipts of 1888 with the receipts of 1895, the advance is only \$1,004, or 8 per cent, against an advance of \$4,242, or 62 per cent in the five weaker Conferences, where deaconess work has not been introduced at all; while in the six Conferences, where the Homes are under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, the advance in receipts is \$16,864.45, or 165.5 per cent. In this last group of six Conferences, besides the amount raised for support, Deaconess Homes valued at \$99,000 have been secured. Although the frontier fund in this group in 1895 was but 3.005 per cent in advance of 1888, it must be remembered that the effort required to inaugurate and maintain this new line of work cost these Conference Societies during the period about \$40,000 cash for support, besides the investment of \$99,000 in Homes. This latter investment being permanent, the work well established, and the methods of securing support adjusted among the Auxiliaries, it is to be expected that the general interests of the Society will be taken up with additional energy because of the increased missionary zeal awakened by deaconess work. A careful analysis of these reports might possibly present some modifying circumstances; but the general statement would not be materially affected.

#### THE NATURE AND SCOPE OF DEACONESS WORK.

There seems to be, in the minds of some, a misapprehension as to the specific nature of deaconess service, understanding it to apply largely to spiritual and evangelistic effort, and not to practical work.

In the light of experience, the duty of deaconesses must be defined so as to cover the various forms and grades of service adapted to meet the needs of any locality in which they may be employed. A deaconess is simply a Christian woman, with good health, common sense, and tact, who devotes herself to the special form of missionary work to which she is adapted, and for which she has been prepared by careful training. A deaconess must have fulfilled the requirements of the course of training specified by the Church, and she has agreed to consecrate her time and strength to the service of the Church of Christ according to the rules for deaconesses. This service is rendered for a simple support, the Church, on its part, agreeing to maintain and protect in sickness and age. In the preparation and assignment of these missionaries to fields of labor, their natural adaptability should be taken into consideration. Some are adapted to and are trained for evangelistic service; others, to labor among the poor and neglected in house-to-house visitation; some are adapted and prepared for industrial teachers, and are assigned to this service; others are kindergartners, or mission-school teachers.

Our Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, which has been given the charge of all this work in foreign lands, employs deaconesses in its schools, and in the various forms of missionary service required in foreign lands. In Germany, hardly any evangelistic work is done by deaconesses. They labor in the slums of the cities, direct kindergartens, kitchengardens, gather the children into primary or industrial schools, and engage in such work as may be required by the needs of the locality.

In our country—as at Morristown, Tenn.; at Greensboro, N. C.; and at Albuquerque, New Mexico—deaconesses give efficient service as Superintendents of our Model Homes, and provide for the industrial training of the girls. In Utah, six deaconesses are employed in our city missions and schools as moral and industrial teachers, where before we had, in some cases, untrained missionaries.

This form of trained service has the approval of our Church, and the efficiency of training and the acceptability of the workers are under the general supervision of the several Conferences. Having this recognition of the Church, it may more profitably be employed by our Society in this country, in the various lines of missionary effort undertaken by it, as the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society is profiting by it in foreign lands. It has the advantage of providing for our missionary service women trained in harmony with the polity and doctrines of our Church.

In this broad view of its adaptability to meet all the requirements of missionary needs, and in considering the advisability of more generally employing this form of service in the home mission-field, the Deaconess Bureau of our Society must be recognized, in our plans and appropriations, as a most important department of work, which has the distinctive character, as compared with the other Bureaus, of being essentially fundamental and inclusive. Regarded in the aspect of a source of supply for trained workers in our mission-fields, its training-schools assume paramount importance, and upon their efficiency and ability to meet the demand will largely depend the success of our work on frontiers and in cities.

#### WORK IN CITIES.

It is a recognized fact that cities furnish the larger and more important Home Missionary field, because they include more than half of the needy and neglected population of the country, and, in them, these populations are so massed as to furnish a fearful menace to the Nation. One of the ablest divines in this country, only a few days since, in an address to a vast audience of intelligent citizens, said: "Let us work in these cities, in which you and I exult, until the power going out from them shall be felt in Asia Minor, China, Japan, and all round the world. It is a grand thing to live where women and men can lay their hands on the levers which are to lift the world." Our Society in 1888 had become so well established as to be prepared to enter actively upon work in cities. Its plans included the establishment of missions similar, in most respects, to Deaconess Homes. It cordially approved of deaconess legislation and at once placed the Society in harmony with the General Conference action.

What has been the result? God has so favored this movement that in the short space of eight years, this department numbers twenty-three Deaconess Homes and centers of work, and twice as many trained workers as are employed in all its other fields, and it has invested in Deaconess Homes \$143,800, about two-fifths of the entire property of the Society. The work has been developed so quietly that comparatively few realize its magnitude, or the importance of its bearing upon the general plans of the Society. It has cost immense labor on the part of the Bureau, seconded by the efforts of intelligent Local Boards. It is only eight years ago that the Deaconess Committee, which a year later became one of the sixteen Bureaus of the Society, entered upon its work; so it is not strange that we have hardly realized the vast proportions so early reached by this youngest sister of the group, operating in a field then almost unexplored.

#### RELATIVE RESPONSIBILITY.

The Corresponding Secretary, from the requirements of the office, is necessarily brought into contact with each and every part of the whole field. This relation, and the correspondence necessary to maintain it, is a constitutional requirement. It is essential to the unity and harmony of our work, contemplating, as it does, a general organization and its support in all parts of the country. The work is arranged in departments called Bureaus, each one being placed under the special supervision of a Secretary and Committee. It is made the duty of the general officer, by the Constitution, to carefully note the movements of the whole field, offer suggestions, make such temporary arrangements as the exigencies of the case demand, and submit a report of all matters of interest to the General Executive Board (Board of Trustees) and Board of Managers. This acquaintance with the work and general supervision is also necessary that the officer may be prepared, at any moment, to take up the work of any Bureau whose Secretary may be compelled to relinquish it. This has often

happened, and it has chanced that sometimes several Bureaus have at the same time been without acting Secretaries.

Our ten Southern and Western Bureaus include from one Home, as in the Texas and Alaska Bureaus, to ten as in Utah, the average being three and four tenths missions to a Bureau, and two and one-fifth missionaries to a Home or Mission. This knowledge of the field enables one to appreciate the importance of the work, and the grave responsibility of the Bureau in these fields, notwithstanding that these Southern and Western missions are generally in good running order, and are, in most cases, in the charge of experienced and trusted missionaries, some of whom have been for a long time in the field.

We have also been in close relation to the Deaconess Bureau from the beginning, and for a large part of a year were in charge of the work in the absence of its Secretary. Consequently we are able to compare this work and the responsibility of this Bureau, or Department, with the work and responsibility of the other Bureaus. It is patent to any that a Bureau with twenty-three Homes and with one hundred and fifty missionaries in the field, would involve more care than one with one to four centers of work and from two to ten missionaries employed. But these figures, even. do not represent the most important difference, in the fact of the complicated questions constantly demanding consideration, which are peculiar to the Deaconess Bureau. The inadequate supply and the constant demand for trained workers to open Homes or work in new mission-fields, give rise to questions that require the greatest care and discrimination in their settlement. There are numerous questions of policy and legislation constantly arising to be considered and decided in the adjustment of the work in each locality, so that it may be conducted in harmony with the general rules of the Society, and also with the missionary agencies already in operation in the locality. These and other questions require, on the part of the Bureau, almost endless correspondence. Then, there is the need of travel throughout the length and breadth of the country to properly supervise the field and awaken and sustain interest and co-operation. Beyond this there is a demand for literature that will successfully represent this cause, and tend to develop and sustain interest in the widening demand for trained women for this form of service.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS.

DEACONESS BUREAU.—In view of the heavy pressure of this volume of work, and its importance as the means of meeting, not only our obligation to cities, which are more than half the Home Mission field, but also of providing, through its training-schools, thoroughly qualified missionaries for all fields, we would urge upon the Board of Managers the necessity of providing such assistance, clerical and otherwise, for the Secretary of the Deaconess Bureau, as will make it possible to properly care for this great and constantly-increasing interest.

Training-school.—I can not close this report without calling attention to the supreme importance of providing adequate facilities for the training of our missionaries and deaconesses, and I most earnestly urge upon the Society the necessity of concentrating to a much larger extent than heretofore, effort, money, and prayer in behalf of our training-school at Washington.

This school is doing most excellent service, and is earnestly struggling to meet the demand for trained workers. Its facilities for the thorough preparation of missionaries are not anywhere surpassed. But additional accommodations are required, that we may provide for the large number of students who are pleading for admittance to its privileges, and who, if properly trained, will add greatly to the effectiveness and influence of the Society.

Unity of the Work.—A careful study of our Home Mission field as furnished by the reports of missionaries and Bureau Secretaries, in connection with statistics furnished by the Government, as well as extended personal observation and investigation, convinces us that there are many modifying circumstances that should be taken into consideration in our appropriations and general plans. In order that we may secure unity and harmony in the work, we recommend that a Committee be appointed, to include the President and Treasurer of the Society, the Secretary of the Deaconess Bureau, and the editor of Home Missions, whose duty it shall be to confer with the Corresponding Secretary in regard to the field, plans, and methods of work, and the best means of accomplishing it, and report the results of such consideration to the General Executive Board.

#### HOME MISSIONARY MEETINGS.

The Committee on Entertainment for the late General Conference kindly granted to the Woman's Home Missionary Society a spacious room, opening from the gallery of the auditorium, for its business meetings and social and religious gatherings. This room was tastefully furnished by the ladies of the Society at Cleveland.

Each morning of the session a prayer service was held here. These meetings were conducted by representative women from various sections of the country. They were largely attended, and the hour was a season of great spiritual refreshing. The delegates frequently expressed their appreciation of the uplifting influence of the fervent prayers and faithful testimonies of these morning meetings.

The plan of uniting the missionary interest and effort of the Church in one auxiliary has obtained great favor in many places. In these union meetings the two Societies usually alternate in furnishing the program. Lists of membership are often held separately, while the funds raised by special effort are divided equally between the two Societies. The same ladies generally are interested in, and members of, both Societies. Each should enlist, as far as possible, all the women of the Church. The union

saves the time of one meeting every month, and also secures the better instruction of the membership as to the claims of both fields.

An encouraging fact connected with the Conference was the kind and liberal spirit which prevailed among the visitors and delegates. This good feeling was manifested in the conception and management of a union meeting, participated in by representatives of the two important organizations of women in our Church. In view of the spirit and significance of this gathering, and the far-reaching influence which it is calculated to awaken, we give place, in closing this paper, to a brief report of the proceedings, which appeared in an article published at that time.

#### UNION MEETING.

"On Monday afternoon, May 18th, a remarkable meeting was held in the chapel of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Cleveland. A union meeting of the Woman's Foreign and Home Missionary Societies had been called, at the suggestion of leading women connected with each Society. The meeting was under the auspices of the local Union Auxiliary. Mrs. H. A. Griffin, President of the Home Society, presided, assisted by Mrs. J. C. Caldwell, President of the Foreign. Opening the meeting, attention was called to the harmonious and successful work of this Union Auxiliary. A program had been arranged, including several of the leading officers of each Society present in Cleveland.

"Mrs. H. B. Skidmore, Secretary of the New York Branch, Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, was first introduced. She described her work at the Five Points Mission in New York City, and said that 'there was no need of collision between the two branches of work. The women of our Church have a wonderful message of love to carry to women in foreign and in home lands.'

"Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, President of the national organization Woman's Home Missionary Society, was cordially greeted, and gave an interesting and appropriate talk. She said she 'felt that there was no Home, no Foreign work; it was all mission-work. Only one woman in ten in the Methodist Church is doing missionary work. What are the other nine-tenths doing?'

"Mrs. S. L. Keen, Secretary of the Philadelphia Branch, said 'Missionwork takes in everybody; the little boy in your alley, the woman who does your scrubbing, and the heathen in the uttermost parts of the earth.' Mrs. Keen closed with an earnest appeal for interest and unity in the work.

"Mrs. R. S. Rust, one of the founders of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, soon after its organization, received a letter from a foreign missionary inclosing a dollar for membership. The writer said, 'Every foreign missionary should pray daily for the success of the new Society.' In England and in Italy she had visited missions, and learned the spirit of the workers in their 'home missionary' work. We call it 'foreign.' Later she had seen 3,000 immigrants land in New York, while 3,000 more were waiting outside the harbor—Italians, Bohemians, and other nationalities—

the same people she had studied in foreign lands; but here they belonged to the home field. The saving of souls is one work everywhere.

"Mrs. B. R. Cowen, Secretary of the Cincinnati Branch, said that from her window at home she could see only one field. Going a little farther she could see another, and from the top of the hill her father's whole farm spread out before her. So in mission-work, the higher we climb the farther our work stretches, yet all fields are our Father's. Let us begin at home, our Jerusalem, and go on until the whole world is reached and

"Mrs. E. L. Albright, Secretary of one of the Southern Bureaus, said 'There is great need for mission-work in our country. Vice and sin go unscathed. We are two great sister Societies, and not to be in sympathy with each other is to be less than Christian.'

"Mrs. W. B. Davis, President of the Cincinnati Branch, was proud and grateful to be a member of the Methodist Church, and willing to work wherever the Lord might direct. She had gone from house to house in Cincinnati, in home mission-work, and had been helped and broadened by the experience.

"Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, Secretary of the Bureau for Deaconesses, said: 'This is a wonderful meeting; one that can never occur again, comprising the women who founded both Societies.' Naming those present, 'there are women gathered here to-day who have largely shaped the destinies of the Methodist Church for twenty years.' She spoke of the eagerness of the Swiss women whom she had met in the Alps to learn of the mission-work in America. 'The work is the same in all lands. She was grateful to have the privilege of this meeting.'

"Mrs. Hickman, of Cleveland; Mrs. Scott, of India, and others, gave

brief testimony in the same liberal spirit.

"Mr. Horace Benton, of Cleveland, said: 'I thank God for this assembly. It marks a new era, and will be historic in our Methodism.'

"Dr. R. S. Rust said: 'Of the many delightful gatherings I have attended during the General Conference, this surpasses them all. The Holy Spirit is surely in this meeting.'

"Mrs. Bishop Thoburn said: 'We are all engaged in one work. There

is no Foreign or Home Society.'

"Mrs. Rust presented, and Mrs. Horace Benton seconded a resolution that crystallized the sentiment of the meeting, as follows, which was adopted by a unanimous vote:

"'WHEREAS, In his last interview with his disciples Jesus said, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature, beginning at Jerusalem," and as we in this meeting represent the mission-work of women in the Methodist Church; therefore,

"' Resolved, That we recognize the mission and the field intrusted to our care by the Church, and urge upon the members of our respective Societies the acceptance of this duty, and pledge ourselves to redouble our efforts for the conversion of the world."

#### APPORTIONMENTS.

The General Missionary Committee, which is intrusted with the administration of the business of the Missionary Society, includes the Bishops, the Missionary Secretaries and Treasurers, the District members elected by the General Conference, and fourteen Managers elected by the Missionary Society. It is as thoroughly representative in its relation to the conditions and needs of Methodism in the United States and throughout the world as can possibly be secured. This Committee has apportioned the funds raised for the support of missions under its supervision to the Home and Foreign fields in the proportion of 45 per cent to the former and 55 per cent to the latter.

The home field does not receive its full proportion of aid on this basis of 45 and 55 per cent from the organizations of women in our Church. It is the opinion of many influential friends of the Church that the money raised for the General Missionary Society should be divided equally between the home and foreign fields, and the indications are that hereafter such an apportionment may be effected. It indicates the trend of thought and feeling on this subject, and is indirect testimony at least, from a source entitled to the highest consideration, that the claims of the home field are more weighty and imperative than we are accustomed to recognize.

In the light of this thought it is very desirable that the Woman's Home Missionary Society should largely increase its income, so that there might be a near approach to equality in the apportionments by the women to the home and foreign field. The Foreign Society does not contribute too much to this good cause, but the Home Society contributes far too little.

#### STATISTICS.

We desire to call attention to the importance of promptly sending to the District and Conference officers correct reports of the work accomplished by the AuxiliarySocieties. The revised blanks that are furnished every Society enable the Conference and the general officers to understand the exact status, statistical and financial, of every Auxiliary Circle and Band in the Conference Society, a great advantage in the general supervision of the work.

The Conference officers are not authorized to supply deficiencies, and in their quarterly reports sent to the general office we frequently read against the names of Auxiliaries, and sometimes of entire districts, the words, "No report received;" hence the General Summary falls short. The following table, for this reason, indicates that some of our best Conferences have fallen behind last year's report. In four there is a decrease respectively of 284, 386, 419, and 552 in membership, and yet this is in appearance only. The failure on the part of Auxiliaries to report, causes the total of membership, including all classes to fall short this year 1,277, while the total of the receipts of the Society for the year marks an increase of \$22,000.

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## ANNUAL ADDRESS

# BEFORE THE GENERAL BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY, OCTOBR 25, 1896. BY MRS. DELIA LATHROP WILLIAMS.

Should a tourist climb the steep eastern slope of the Rockies he might chance to see, springing up at his feet from a crevice in the tilted rocks, a bubbling spring. Could he be so placed that he could watch its movements, he would see it pushing continually about its margin, and finally, plunging boldly over, go singing down the slope. Farther on he would see it falling into pools and lakes, whirling in eddies, plunging down precipices, tossed and beaten about, and finally joined by other streams, entering a broad valley, along which it rolls, a magnificent Missouri, the fostering mother of great cities, the pride and prosperity of a continent.

The growth of a great river is but a feeble symbol of the growth of a great moral or religious movement. An idea born of the Spirit of God works its way, against difficulties, out into objective life and form. There is no room for a new movement; it must find a channel for itself; but when once it has started on its career of blessing, it finds other moral movements affiliating with it, enlarging its powers for good, until, quietly and unobserved, it has in its embrace the interests of a continent, perhaps of the world.

We have come together this evening to celebrate the fifteenth anniversary of such a movement. Born of the Holy Spirit, it came into the world unannounced, poor and without friends. There was no room for it at the inn. But being the child of God's providence, it lived and grew, and for fifteen successive years you have come together annually to celebrate its birthday. You have come to these gatherings anxious, burdened because you are the responsible mediators between those who have intrusted money to you, and those who look to you for the bread of life.

May it not be that coming as you have done, charged with these high duties, you have not sufficiently considered the other duty of laying all your burdens down for a little, and giving yourselves to congratulation and thanksgiving for what God has wrought by you?

You are guests in this beautiful city because you represent an important religious movement. There is much in a name. Let us stop a moment to be grateful for the suggestive and significant appellation by which you are called—The Woman's Home Missionary Society. We

are the "heirs of all the ages." Has it occurred to you that the history of humanity is focalized in this beautiful title?

#### SOCIETY.

You represent a "Society." A "Society" is a free and voluntary association of persons for the accomplishment of some end; an association in which all have equal voice and equal rights. What a long step in the development of the race this power of association implies! An association could not be formed until there was a sense of common rights, and a spirit of mutual concession, as well as an appreciation of the value of combination.

How long it took mankind to learn these lessons, it is now impossible to tell; but the value of combination for moral and religious purposes was, long ago, most tersely put in the Scriptures.

When God gave the law to Israel, his promise to Moses was, "Ye shall chase your enemies, and they shall fall before you." "Five of you shall chase a hundred, and a hundred of you shall put ten thousand to flight, and your enemies shall fall before you." And when, at the end of Moses' life, he speaks the words of that marvelous song in the ears of all the people, he gives thanks for the more than fulfillment of the promise by saying. "How should one chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight, except the Lord had done it?" Two are ten times as effective as one.

Not only is multiplied power secured by association, but marvelous economy. This is most happily illustrated by a statement I read recently in the Message of Chicago. The editor says that by the relief movement, organized to help the Nebraska sufferers in the winter of 1894-5, coal was laid down in Nebraska at fifty cents per ton, while those who preferred to work independently, were buying coal and sending it at seven dollars per ton. The organization dollar, you see, was to the independent dollar almost "sixteen to one." This Society gives to you then the double advantage of multiplication of power and economy of expenditure.

## MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Further, you represent a "Missionary Society." By a long leap in the development of the race we alight in Christian times. It was the Savior who first formally commissioned men to "go" and "tell," and "baptize" into the Church; and for nineteen centuries, wherever the Spirit of Christ has commanded the hearts of men, it has made them missionaries. The Christian is, of necessity, a missionary. His one business in life is to "go" and "tell," because he is the one "sent" of God, as was his Master. And so a Missionary Society is only an association of Christians who acknowledge their discipleship, and band themselves together for mutual help and multiplication of power in the fulfillment of their Christian obligations. A Missionary Society seems the most natural and reasonable thing in the world; indeed, the mystery

is that any Christian should delay an hour, after having united himself to the Universal Missionary Organization, the Church itself, to unite with some specific missionary organization for special impulse and effectiveness.

No one man can do all things. And so the Master gave some apostles, and some prophets, and some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the building of the body of Christ. Evidently God's plan is for each man to find something definite to do upon this building of Christ's body, and then that he shall stand to his work. No man who asks for employment is told his services are not required. He will be assigned his specific work, and that will be the work he can do best.

The Scriptures give an excellent model for bringing to a successful issue this, or any, special work to which we are called. When Nehemiah, by the King's permission, came back to Jerusalem from Babylon to rebuild the city and the nation, you will all agree that he had a very difficult missionary work to perform. Let us see how he proceeded. For three days he quietly investigated the condition of the city, and the means at his command for rebuilding it. Then, his plans being determined, he called together the leaders of the Jews, upon whom he must depend for co-operation, and said to them, "Come, let us build up the wall." How beautifully direct and level to the understanding of the dullest and most estranged Jew! But they met him as frankly as he came to them, as people always do, and promptly responded, "Let us rise up and build." And how they builded! Friends, if you want to know how to build up a great Missionary Society, study Nehemiah's plan, as recorded in the third chapter of the book bearing his name. The head of each house had a specific work given him to do, and he did that one work. Nobody wandered about to find an easy place to work, or an honorable place, or a paying place; but everybody believed the walls could be built, and should be built, and so had a mind to work; and "the walls went up," and "the breaches were stopped," and "the gates were set up, and the doors thereof, and the locks and bars thereof." Driven from their places temporarily by their enemies, Nehemiah encouraged them to faith in God; "and then," he says, "we returned, all of us, to the wall, every one to his work." If every Church, if every Missionary Society, if the Society you represent, would make Nehemiah's Home Missionary Society a model, what walls it might build and what gates set up!

#### HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

But I am speaking to the representatives of a *Home* Missionary Society. None of us, I am aware, have a conception of the full significance of that word *home*. Suppose *God had not set mankind in families*, but the race had lived in herds, with none of the sacred relationships of husband and wife, parent and child, brother and sister. There would not only have been no homes, but no property, no science, no literature,

no art, no commerce, no civilization,—nothing worth the life of a human being.

The modern Christian home, in which the husband cherishes the wife as his own body, and the wife loves the husband better than her own life, in which parents live to inspire their children with all high aims and noble ambitions, and children regard it their just duty and rarest privilege to honor their parents by all dutiful behavior and loyal service, in which brother is courteous and chivalrous and sister affectionate and helpful,—such a home is the very flower of Christian civilization; and, thank God, dear sisters, such homes are ours, because Christ lives in them. Would God there were no homes less ideal in our Christian land!

Progress in all the morality which makes a people strong and prosperous, in all the piety which makes a people good, in all the spirituality which makes a people refined, will find its inspiration in an enthusiasm for home.

Any custom, or legal enactment, or form of faith, or organization, that makes the home and home influences less strong and less pure, is an enemy to morals and religion. Any custom, or legal enactment, or form of faith, or organization, that elevates the home, and that purifies and sanctifies home life, is God's minister of salvation to men.

The worst feature of the crowded tenements of the great cities is not the physical discomfort, and the details of that are too harrowing to hear, but it is the lack of all the unity and solidarity of the family, the loss of all the sweet secrecy of family life. I never pass along a thoroughfare at night, and see the soft light gleaming through the curtained windows, but I thank God for the sweet, unrevealed things hidden behind each closed door. I think of the patient home-keeper, and the laborious home-comer, and the little ones safe in the home nest, and pray God to multiply good homes; homes in which temperance, thrift, and affection are the law of the parents, and obedience and helpfulness the rule of the children

Have you observed how carefully Paul, the statesman and philosopher, as well as apostle, in his epistles, guards the home; and how marvelously the Master himself, who had not a home in which to lay his weary head, testified by word and act to the value of the home life? No word calls up so many sacred associations, is so replete with most sacred meanings, is the symbol of so much of what we hope for. It is your calling, sisters, to multiply these centers of purity and power, of love and trust, until every man, woman, and child in our land shall live in a Christian home.

## WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

But you are a Woman's Home Missionary Society. By another long step in the development of humanity we come to the nineteenth century of Christian civilization, and the whole record of what Christianity has done for woman opens before us. I never feel so much

stirred at the perverse ignoring of facts, as when some person, to establish some false propagandism, or to prove some idle notion, distorts Scripture into making Paul or Peter, or Christ himself, say,—while his whole life and teaching contradict it,—that which makes Christianity seem a yoke upon the neck of woman; a code of servitude; a closed door, which must be forced to admit her to her highest inheritance. Christianity is not a yoke upon woman's neck, but a crown on woman's brow; not a weight upon her back, but wings upon her shoulders; not a door barring her out, but a ladder up which angels beckon her. The gospel gives a woman all any woman can ask for, and builds about her safeguards to her honor and happiness, as secure as the throne of God.

As the gospel standards of living prevail, woman's sphere of usefulness enlarges. When men are dominated by chivalrous respect, and Christian love, woman can stand unveiled, and in all womanly modesty and reserve, offer them her co-operation in Christian service,-and in enlightened Christian countries this time has come. I am not quite certain what the "new woman" of the newspaper witlings is, but I suspect she is a creature of their own grotesque imaginings. To my mind the "new woman," "the twentieth-century woman," is the woman that has been the Esthers and Ruths and Marys and Dorcases of the long past, the Susannah Wesleys and Mrs. Judsons and Elizabeth Frys, the Mary Somervilles and Maria Mitchells of the recent past, with the larger opportunities for education, for travel, for social and religious culture and for Christian service which the freedom and wealth of these later days furnish. While Christianity encourages and quickens every noble aspiration and high endeavor in woman, it also furnishes sure and strong guiding lines for woman's safety and highest efficiency. I do not fear that education, even a university degree, will make a woman cease to count her husband's honor above all price, or to love her children more than her own life.

The women of to-day who are on Boards of Management for great moral and financial interests, who are teaching the youth, who are carrying the gospel to the unchurched of our great centers of population, or to foreign lands, who are carrying forward the temperance movement, who are strengthening the hands of the pastors and officiary of the Churches where they worship, are the best women the sun has ever shone upon. Although Providence has thrust them out into this work, they are not one whit behind their grandmothers in all that makes the real charm of womanhood. Their homes are as well-kept, their husbands' interests as well guarded, their children as well trained. In this there is no boast. Unless machinery and combination of labor, unless better opportunities and more leisure had made us more effective, we should be unworthy daughters of our patient, industrious, devoted grandmothers, who with less advantages accomplished so much.

#### THE SUCCESS OF THE SOCIETY.

Let us for a little see how the success of this Home Missionary Society justifies the high expectations which its name suggests. We are all aware that the best work which any person, or any association of persons, does, can not be shown in tables of statistics. A life might have almost nothing in it to be noted in such tables, and yet be preciously full of helpfulness and saving power. On the contrary, a life might have much capable of being shown in such tables, and yet be poor in the great things which make for righteousness. Still, moral and spiritual forces are so elusive and intangible that we have to base much of our estimate on these tables to bring the work vividly before us. Of their value each must be his own judge.

Sixteen years ago a few women banded together to interest some other women in the Methodist Episcopal Church to help to make the burdens of life lighter for still other women less favored than they. These women were officially unrecognized, simply an association with a name. To-day this association is one of the seven authorized connectional societies of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and receives its appropriate recognition as a factor in the aggressive movements of Methodism, from all the Church authorities, beginning with the Quarterly Conference of each pastoral charge and extending to the highest legislative body of the Church, the quadrennial General Conference.

These few women began with no constituency. It was for them to get the ear of Methodism, and build up a strong and commanding body of women, to whom they could commit these interests when they should fall from their paralyzed hands. A body of fifty thousand women of the Church, whom you represent, indicates how successfully this has been done.

They began sixteen years ago with no funds to carry forward the large enterprises, which from the first suggested themselves to their fertile minds, and which their faith soon set on foot. Since that time they have seen \$1,000,000 pass through their treasury.

They began with no employees to represent them at the front, to be hands, feet, and tongue for them. They now have seventy-five missionaries and teachers in their employ, and one hundred and fifty deaconesses at work, or in training under their direction.

They began sixteen years ago with no school-building, or home for missionary or beneficiary, and now the Society has twenty-one Industrial Homes, thirteen schools for academic work, and three Homes at our eastern ports for the reception of immigrants, twenty-four homes for deaconesses, and at the Capital of our country, Washington City, a Training-school for missionaries and deaconesses. Besides these, it has excellent buildings in Chicago and Cincinnati for headquarters for city work, a small hospital in connection with the Training-school at Washington, and a Rest Cottage for deaconesses and missionaries at

Asbury Park. Many of these buildings are neither large nor pretentious, for it has not been the policy of the Society to build such buildings; but some of them are excellent, and all serve the purpose of furnishing a basis for work.

But if you turn to another phase of the work, you will find it equally encouraging. In the sixteen years past, there have been more than two thousand young girls in training in your Industrial Homes; and in your schools eight thousand pupils have been taught, besides the large industrial classes which the teachers of this Society have constantly had under their instruction from the Freedmen's Aid schools, with which many of your Homes are in the closest co-operation.

Again: if you consider the accumulation of property, you get another phase of the success of your Society. You began with nothing, and to-day, by a moderate estimate, your property in the South is valued at \$145,000; your property in Utah, \$17,000; your property in New Mexico and Oklahoma, \$15,000; your property on the Pacific Coast and in Alaska, \$9,000; your property in Washington City, \$40,000; your property in other cities in the North, such as Mission-houses, Deaconess Homes, etc., \$228,000; making a total of nearly half a million of dollars.

Early in our history, wisely, as we still think, strategic points were chosen for centers of work in the South and West, and as each point had its devoted friends, money began at once to be collected for many buildings. Every point that had received encouragement pressed its needs most ardently, and so convincing were the arguments, and so moving the pleas for immediate help for the young people of each locality, that these points have all been occupied with a haste that may well amaze you. The beautiful structure that is now being built at Asheville is the last of these long-projected enterprises. When you learn that the increase in the value of your real estate, grounds and buildings, since January, 1890, is nearly \$300,000, it is not surprising that your treasurer reports the comparatively small indebtedness for all this rapid expansion as \$22,000. Now that you have met all the promises you have made for special expenditures, you will soon, with God's blessing, pay all your indebtedness, and have a balance of funds to enlarge and strengthen the work at all points demanding it.

But I tarry too long in these external signs of prosperity. What are some of the results of your labor in character-building? To secure some reliable data for this address, I sent out to the superintendents of your Homes a list of questions, which have been intelligently and promptly answered. One of these questions was, "What becomes of your pupils when they leave you?"

One of the smaller Homes sends this answer: "Fourteen have married ministers; one a physician; twenty-eight are teachers; five dressmakers; one a nurse; five have died." Another answers: "Thirteen are teachers in country schools, holding a first grade license; some have saved money, bought machines, and are making their living by sewing; some are in

service in families; some have married, and have neat and orderly homes. They are helpful in their neighborhoods, organizing Sunday-schools and temperance societies, thus showing a genuine missionary spirit."

Another question was: "What do you regard as the greatest benefits your pupils derive from the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society?" The invariable answer is that the Christian influences and instruction of the Homes and schools lead the pupils to Christian lives, and that they also improve physically with the care and protection they receive at the time when girls most need watchful care. The industrial training makes them neat and orderly, and prepares them to make comfortable homes for their families.

My next question was: "Would you recommend any changes in the form of work? If so, in what direction?" Every superintendent to whom I sent the questions said substantially, "I believe we are working in the right direction." Several added, "We need visiting missionaries or deaconesses among our poor. We have not the time to do what should be done for the poor."

My next question was, "What are your immediate and most pressing needs?" Again the answers are practically uniform: "We need more appliances, enlarged facilities. We are constantly unable to do the best work of which we are capable, for lack of facilities." There is a call for school-desks, for maps, for sewing-machines, for cooking outfits, for libraries, and so on.

The next questions, "Will you give me an illustration of the value of your work?" and "Give one or more incidents connected with your work." I have time to quote but two or three of these interesting responses. One tells the story of a beneficiary in one of our colored schools, who is the daughter of a minister receiving less than \$300 salary, upon which to support a family of eleven persons. When she left school she began at once to teach, that she might help the younger ones. After a year she sent her sister to school, where the sister will remain, supported by her, till she can teach, and then both will work for the still younger ones. But she does not go out as an ordinary, routine, dayschool teacher. She has gathered the girls of the neighborhood together, and taught them to sweep and cook, and to sew. She has taught them the Scriptures, and led them intelligently to embrace Christ. She has been fitted for this work by the expenditure of four years of beneficiary aid-\$160; and now she is not only a self-supporting missionary, but one who is sending back pupils, with a little money, for training like her own.

Another superintendent writes of the reflex influence of your work. She says: "We make the women better, and this makes our boys and men better. For a long time we had wanted to organize an Epworth League in a very rough neighborhood (colored), but had feared to call a crowd together, lest there should be fighting, and perhaps riot; but at last we concluded to venture it. We decided upon a public entertainment. We had six young men, recently converted, upon whom we could rely.

These young men we put upon a debate. They had previously been drinking and gambling fellows like the rest, and did not know what latent powers the Spirit of God had quickened into actual and available forces. Our house was full. The evening was spent in singing, recitations, and the debate, which was a marked success. Perfect order prevailed. The outside young men were impressed with the superiority of these young people, conversions followed, and since that day we have had a strong Epworth League. These young men are now making homes of their own, and they begin life on a plane very much higher, in every respect, than that of the homes they leave. The influence of this one Epworth League has spread for miles around among the log-cabins in the woods." This certainly is paying missionary work.

With one more of these interesting responses I must stop. The superintendent of a Home for colored girls says: "I will give you an illustration of how our girls grow, when once they have received, in our schools, the impulse to noble living. One of the girls from our Home married one of the graduates of the university on whose campus we are. The first time I went to see them, he was preaching in a poor community. The parsonage was a cabin of one room, but it was tidy, and the door-yard was swept and fenced. The meals were well cooked and well served, though plain. They were very poor, but were making the most of all they had, a missionary object-lesson in a community which knew nothing of economy, neatness, or thrift.

"Three years later I visited them again. They had a four-roomed cottage for their parsonage. The house was comfortably furnished; but, aside from bedsteads, a few chairs, and one small table, all the furniture was home-made. The library was made of packing-boxes, arranged one above the other, and covered with a black walnut stain. Over the top was a scarf, upon which home-framed photographs stood as ornaments. The study table was a box, curtained in front, with shelves inside. Above the table at one end was a book-case, this too, made of a box, which contained books for ready-reference. The rack for the pen-holders, and the other conveniences of the equipped study-table, were all of home construction. The walls were papered with newspapers, hung with mosses, vines, and wood-growths so artistically arranged that one forgot the paper. The carpet cost twelve and one-half cents per yard, but it was padded with fragrant new hay, which made it fresh and elastic. Everything had an air of comfort. It was a sweet, thoroughly homelike home.

"Four years later I made them another visit. They had now gone to a city. They lived in a painted cottage, with a veranda so covered with fragrant vines as to shut its occupants entirely in from the street. There was a study, a guest-room, a store-room well furnished, a parlor with carpet, draperies, and an organ. The kitchen was neat and orderly. This woman was now the wife of the presiding elder on the foremost district of his Conference; made so, largely, by the influence of these two

people. He is now a trustee of his Alma Mater, and sends her a large number of students."

One report states that, of the eighty who have passed through the industrial course of one of the schools, twenty-five are married to ministers, four to physicians, five to men in government positions, thirty-three are teachers, three have been superintendents of schools, and one the State President of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union for several years.

Archdeacon Farrar says: "To be truly great is to see what God is doing, and to do it with him; for human history flows in a river-bed God has marked out for it." He that runs counter to this current makes only an eddy, and his life comes to naught. This element of greatness the Woman's Home Missionary Society possesses, for it saw God's plan for the development of the American Negro into a positive factor in American national life and material prosperity, and it threw itself into this current, and God's providence has borne it onward in a way that is marvelous, even to those most familiar with its movements. It saw God's plan to save our great and growing Rocky Mountain States, with their wealth of soil and mines, to Christian faith and morals, and so it threw itself at once into God's current to stop the opposing tide of Mormonism and infidelity; and the records to be revealed will show that this Society has had no small part in doing what has already been accomplished. It heard "the sound of going in the tops of the mulberrytrees," as God rallied his forces for the capture of our great cities from atheism.

The Master has shown his confidence in the work, and in you, his servants, by twice removing a leader whom you confidently and delightedly followed, and whose place you did not conceive could be filled. But he, wiser than you, has shown you that his quiver is full of arrows, and though some be spent, his supply is always complete and effective. No changes that the Society has been called upon to suffer have made any change in its efficiency or prosperity. Through all the years of its existence trusted workers have fallen; but God has set others whom he had in training in the empty places, thereby teaching you that the work is the eminent and eternal interest, while the agent by whom it is accomplished is only the transient and inconsiderable element. It is difficult from our standpoint of self-consciousness, seeing, as we do, but one little acre of the illimitable harvest, not to magnify our own personality and that of our immediate associates. But if you could be lifted to the summit of some Olympus, whence you could see the procession of the ages; if your vision could be so anointed that you could see God's eternal purpose for a redeemed race; if you could catch a glimpse of the innumerable hosts coming up from every city, tribe, and nation, clothed in the garments of the redeemed; and looking back through the ages, see God's plan compassing and unifying all, his power bringing victory out of defeat, good out of seeming evil, a redemption out of every fall, a resurrection out of every crucifixion,—I say, if you could but get a glimpse of the eternal issues as God sees them, the presence or absence of a single worker would seem a very inconsiderable matter to you.

Do you recall the representation of the great Olympian Zeus, by Phidias, carved in ivory, his hair and beard and drapery of pure gold, and his eyes gleaming gems? Sixty feet in height, seated on his throne in the apse of the great temple, he was not only so august that no Greek could look upon him,

"And not lift his head, and straighten his thoughts
To high emprise, shake from his robe his care
For common happiness, and dare to strive
Far toward the God-like there expressed;"

but his majesty was so tempered with justice and pity and love, that every Greek aspired to look at least once into his face that he might catch the reflection of those elements in his own character.

But in all its magnificence, how faint a symbol it was of Him who sitteth upon the circle of the heavens, to whom all yesterdays and to-morrows are one, to whom all things to be are as if they were already, whose vigilance none can escape, whose purposes none can defeat! This is our God,—not Zeus, but Jehovah, is ours,—and "his banner over us is Love."

## WHAT IS YET TO BE DONE.

This leads me to ask, What work is still before this organization, and what will those who come after you find to do? As I said before, God never called a man and put upon him any measure of his own spirit, but that he made him a missionary. Every man who receives the Holy Spirit receives the missionary spirit. The charge to every "called man" is, "Go, tell." The mischief of the ages has been that men have been content to receive, but have not been zealous to give to others. Suppose the Jewish Church, which had the highest and clearest revelations of God, and fully believed itself to have them, had set about revealing them to all the nations, as God should give access to them. In the two thousand years of the Israelitish Church, or even in the fifteen hundred years of the Mosaic order, what a change might have been wrought in Asiatic civilization, and what a mass of people have been prepared for the reception of gospel teaching! Had the Jewish Church been a missionary Church, it would have been looking for its Messiah; and when he came, instead of saying, "This is the son, let us kill him, and the inheritance shall be ours," they would have crowned him Savior and King of men. Had they given freely of the light they had, spiritual insight would have been given to them, so that they would easily have recognized in the Messiah, not only the King of the Jews, but the Savior of the world; and Paul's report of God's wonderful work among the Gentiles would not have seemed to Jewish Christians even the fanaticism of an insane man, or the fatal defection of an apostate Jew, for which only death could atone.

There is no sadder picture than that of a people to whom the truth of God has come, who have tasted the good Word and have felt its power in their lives, building about themselves a wall to guard their treasure, and then sitting down to the one task of watching the precious spark of heavenly fire, blowing it when it fades, trembling lest it go out, seeing it day by day pale towards its final extinction, and when driven to the desperation of despair, throwing on a little fuel, which, as it burns up with a feeble blaze, restores for a moment the failing hope, living at a poor dying rate, and praying that death may come while the uncertain spark is still alight. Who does not know that the way to increase the spark to a flame is to light a fire with it in the souls of others? Give, give, give, and it shall be given you. This is the eternal law.

"Shall we whose souls are lighted With wisdom from on high, Shall we to men benighted The lamp of life deny?"

The universal commission to the Church is, "Go, preach." Christ's charge is. Do not wait for an irresistible call, a mission, a miracle, a vision. Begin at Jerusalem, the very spot where you are, and work out from that standing-place to the ends of the earth, until the gospel has been preached to every creature.

But one queries, Can it be possible that Jerusalem. the city of the King, the city of the law, the temple, the priesthood, the daily sacrifice, Jerusalem the holy,—can she need missionaries? Should we not move out at once to Corinth, and Athens, and Rome: to Tyre and Damascus? The orders of the Captain of this Salvation Army read distinctly, "Beginning at Jerusalem." Preach where you have the strongest evidences of the truth you proclaim; where you have the witnesses that what you say about me is true. If the gospel can not save Jerusalem, if it be a failure there, how can you convince Rome that it will save it?

The constant embarrassment of foreign missionaries is the unworthy lives of people from Christian countries. The gospel has not saved Jerusalem. Our pagan visitors to the World's Exposition expressed surprise that the gospel of good-will to men so ardently preached by missionaries to their peoples should have been so empty a letter in this land. Jerusalem is far from the ideal city on the hill set for the light of all men. Our beautiful land, whose symbol—God bless it, the Red, White, and Blue—stirs the purest sentiments of our souls, is our Jerusalem, whose highest interests we are associated to secure.

Our work among the Negroes of the South has but just begun. In fifteen years we have established thirteen centers of work in nine of the Southern States. But what are thirteen little schools for seven millions of people? If these were all the Christian Church is doing in the South, they would not serve to make the darkness visible. though the Freedmen's Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church has work at a number of points, and other denominations have Church schools among the Freedmen; all together they make but a few oases upon a blank desert of ignorance and incompetency. What these people need is not merely to know how to read and write; they need to be taught the duty of securing a comfortable self-support for themselves and families, and how to secure it. The mass of them are but as children, and have no more forecast and no more sense of responsibility than children. What they need is not only the First Reader, but an intelligent sense of personal responsibility, and personal power. This an intelligent Christian faith will bring them. The fruit of some of these oases, to which I referred a moment ago, shows what this barrenness is capable of producing, when once it is watered by the streams of Christian and educational influence. I need but to name to you such men as Booker T. Washington, of the Tuskegee Normal School; Dr. M. C. B. Mason, recently elected by our General Conference as one of the Secretaries of the Freedmen's Aid Society; and Dr. Bowen, Professor of Historical Theology in Gammon Theological Seminary at Atlanta. But what of the thousands that are not Booker T. Washingtons, but only "Nigger Sam" and "Nigger Jim," merely because no inspiration has come to them? Millions are still sitting in darkness as dense as in slavery days, and a half-century will scarcely suffice, at the rate we have been progressing, to put this people in a position to take care of themselves.

Again, Mormonism is not dead. And if it were, the people would be left with no intelligent religious beliefs. The school and mission work done by this Society has been no small factor in checking its power and its spread. But we can not leave the field. There is every reason why strong centers of Christian influence and teaching should be developed at strategic points, that oncoming generations may be won to an earnest loyalty to the flag and to the teachings of the Lord Jesus Christ.

And what of the white people of the mountain region stretching from Pennsylvania to the Gulf States? Thirty years ago these people had to fly from their homes and skulk in the woods, living on berries and roots for days, chased by dogs, sometimes shot down on sight, all for the privilege of defending that flag. I have heard from their own lips the thrilling tales of their sufferings in their attempts to reach the Federal Army to avoid conscription into the army which was the enemy of the Union they loved and the flag they worshiped. In many mountain localities not a man was left capable of bearing arms. All fled to the Union lines. A general in command of forces in the Army of the Tennessee told me that when a division of the Union Army reached a certain point in the Tennessee Mountains a great crowd of women and children, with a few old men, came out to meet and welcome them. He noticed the entire absence of effective men, and thought they might be

fearing conscription, so he said rather severely to an old man, "If you are so loyal, why are none of your boys here to welcome us?" The old man respectfully doffed his hat to the general, and, pointing to the colors, tremulously, but proudly, responded, "Our boys are all at the front, sir, fighting for that flag."

These people are poor and without any incentives to self-development. They are without capital, without markets, without railroads, without good highways even; without almost everything but an ardent, universal, all-possessing want. Thousands of the young people who are sitting upon fences, or lolling over rickety gates, gazing into a future filled with dim imaginings of what they would be and do, because they have now nothing practical to do, and do not know how to do anything practical, would start for school to-morrow if they had the means. In all these Southern States we have but two centers of work for these people. Fifty years will not be time enough to lift up these people, and put them into the possession of their inheritance.

Our Indian, New Mexican, Alaskan, and Oriental work is but just begun. Many of these people are literally heathen, brought by God's providence to our church-doors. We can not stop until they are all made loyal subjects of God's kingdom and intelligent citizens of the State. While they are not a numerous people, they are our fellow-citizens, members of our own national family, and we can not justify ourselves in their neglect.

And the cities of our beautiful land, who can describe the depth of suffering, of degradation, of utter misery in them? Poverty, anarchism, socialism, riot,—these proclaim the restlessness of soul, the blind feeling for some pillars of support. But neither silver nor gold, tariff nor free trade, will bring the peace these restless thousands blindly seek. It can not be found in political or social revolutions. What they need, but do not know they need, is the sense of personal relationship to God; a fruitful knowledge that they are the children of a Heavenly Father; the impulse to work out for themselves that remarkable problem in addition, to faith add virtue, to virtue add knowledge, to knowledge add self-control, to self-control add patience, to patience add godliness, to godliness add love of the brethren, and to love of the brethren add love—to all men. Where these graces abound, rights and duties fall into most complete adjustment.

My sisters, you are wiser than all the masters of social science, for you know that if you could bring all these perturbed masses into an experimental knowledge of the saving power of the gospel, anarchism would be robbed of its terrors, intemperance would cease, and a large part of the poverty, and all the degradation, would disappear from among us.

If to any thoughtless person the work of a Missionary Society has seemed to be merely the proselyting of a few people to some set of man-made opinions, or doing certain observances, and making certain

professions, we beg he will consider the matter from the standpoint of a patriot and philanthropist. What we are seeking is the regeneration of men; that they may become temperate, virtuous, diligent, economical, peaceful, intelligent, loyal citizens of this fair Republic. We have the noblest heritage of the children of men, a land burdened with everything that makes for comfort and prosperity. The very flower of the ages is ours. What people has God ever dealt with so bountifully as with this people? Why do we have unrest and ingratitude? Why are the rich suspicious of the poor, and the poor envious of the rich? Why, except that we have not learned to follow the Lord with all our hearts? "Learn of me, . . . and ye shall find rest unto your souls." And this glorious Society, glorious in its aims and possibilities, as well as in its results, this mission of patriotism, this school of good citizenship, this quickener of all that is best and noblest in human character, this inspirer to all that is loftiest of hope and attainment in the life that now is and of that which is to come, this Woman's Home Missionary Society!—what can it not accomplish, if consecrated to God's uses? No woman (I had almost said no good citizen) can justify herself in saying to such an institution, "Go thy way for this time; when I have a more convenient season (and dollar) I will call for thee." And no woman identified with this heaven-called organization can justify herself in living a less worthy and consecrated life than her ideal life, for the sake of her fellow-men, whom she hopes to reach through the influence of the Society. The world can be reached by sympathy with its sorrows and burdens. This Society should be an organization overflowing with love and tenderness for our fellows.

I am glad to believe that God will not be unmindful of your service to your fellow-men. In the Divine arithmetic, to subtract is to add, and to divide to multiply; to give is to get, and to withhold does not enrich. "The flower, by the very prodigality of its fragrance, matures its fruit." The urgency of compassion for others fills our own lives with peace and thanksgiving.

He that watereth, is watered; but he that withholdeth the cup of water from the perishing, himself dies of thirst. The law is as absolute as that of seed-time and harvest. No ceremonial observances, no generous sentiments, not even selfish, holy prayers and holy aspirations, can transmute the common things of life into streams of golden blessing. When our way was hottest and steepest, and our necessities most urgent, and we escaped from ourselves, and gave ourselves in sympathy to others—then, from our rocky griefs sprang up flowers, and the blue sky bent lovingly over us, and the joy of the Divine life filled our souls.

And there is no other way to effect this transmutation of common living upon low material levels, into a life with God in spiritual high places.

# REPORTS FROM BUREAUS.

#### BUREAU FOR EAST SOUTHERN STATES.

The year closed the last of May. The records of each Home in this Bureau show that more, and perhaps better, work has been done than in any previous year. Many were the trials and difficulties, but they were bravely met and overcome. The blessings outnumbered the trials, and we closed the work of the year with thanksgiving in our hearts and on our lips.

## Thayer Industrial Home and School,

During the past year seventeen girls have enjoyed the privileges and advantages of this Home, and also the educational advantages of Clark University, while fifty-six of the university girls have received instruction in our sewing-classes, and quite a number were admitted to the cooking-classes. By reason of the limited appropriation we were not able to employ a sufficient number of teachers last year to enable us to take near all who applied for admission to our classes, either in sewing or cooking. In order to meet the requirements of the work, we will need larger appropriations and more teachers. We received during the last year, for board from teachers and pupils, \$692.15, and from this fund have been able to pay for our provisions, fuel, and lights. Our girls have improved their opportunities, and have become proficient in the lines of work taught in the Home. One of the girls was a native African, aged nineteen, an intelligent, interesting girl. When quite young she was adopted by one of our missionaries, and at twelve years of age she was converted, and decided that she would become a missionary to her own people. Providence opened the way for her to come to this country, and then to our Industrial Home, where she is being trained to take charge of a Home in Africa,—another instance where the Home is helping the Foreign Missionary Society. How glad we are to be able to prepare girls for more extended usefulness in other lands! Great interest was taken by our Thayer Home family in preparing an exhibit for the Atlanta Exposition. The exhibit received much attention and honorable mention, and was a credit to both the Home and the Society.

## Haven Industrial Home and School and Speedwell Mission.

Mrs. Palen says: "One year passes so like another in the mission-field that, in reviewing the work, it seems almost like a repetition of the reports of former years. And yet each year, as it passes, records a decided advance along different lines. A new work has been taken up in the slums of Savannah, where the colored population is most dense; and there seems no limit to the good that can be done in that locality except as we are limited by lack of workers. A large Sunday-school has been gathered together, preaching and prayer-meetings held, and many visits made among these people. The good already accomplished is a proof that God smiles upon the work. It is a place where we ought, if possible, to have an outdoor missionary.

One of the events of the year was a deep and wonderful work of

grace, the like of which has not been experienced before. Beginning among the young children in the day-school, it spread through the school and Home until every inmate of the Home, and almost every pupil not already a Christian, became one. Many of the parents and older people were converted, and the young people of the Speedwell Mission. One of our missionaries wrote "that Haven Home became a heaven to live in."

We were just closing up a year in which I was glad to record that there had been no disaster by fire or flood, as had been in the past, and there had been no death or even serious illness among our missionaries. The injury to the buildings from former storms had been fully repaired and paid for, and everything was in order for school to open, with a bright prospect of a joyful coming year. Alas for human calculations! The terrible hurricane, which swept over Savannah about noon, September 29th, did not spare our buildings. For two hours our missionaries and the few girls in the Home fought the angry storm at the peril of their own lives, only to see roof torn off, windows broken in, heavy doors wrenched from their fastenings, and the house flooded with water. The outbuildings were blown down and carried away, fences leveled, and the few beautiful trees left from the hurricane of 1893 nearly all destroyed. Our missionaries are sick, at heart over this fresh calamity, and work will have to be delayed for a time until repairs are made. Fortunately, our cycione insurance will cover all damage. During the past year, in addition to the work of caring for forty inmates in the Home and a day-school of nearly one hundred and ninety pupils, our three missionaries have made three hundred visits to sick and needy, have held one hundred and fourteen meetings for young people, given one hundred and thirty-six Bible lessons, held thirty-eight temperance meetings, and looked after two large Sunday-schools, attending all the services.

Our Sewing Department was in charge of a young colored girl, a former pupil, who taught sewing to thirty-three girls, besides instrumental music to such as could take it, and vocal music in the Senior Department. During the year, two hundred and twenty-six garments were made, besides mending and repairing.

The receipts for boarding were \$878.50, and from day-school, \$260.30. The parents have not paid as well as at other times, on account of the

very hard times.

In the Speedwell Mission Home and School, at Sand Fly Station, Miss Herron has had five girls, and sometimes six, under her care, together with a day-school of thirty of different ages. The girls were taught to sew and cook, and do such work as they could. She says the little girls learned to sew quite nicely, and made a number of garments for themselves under her direction. Miss Herron made many visits among these people.

#### Boylan Industrial Home and School, Jacksonville, Fla.

On account of the necessity of complying with the new School Law, we were obliged to limit the number of our girls to seventeen; but the day-school was larger than ever, numbering one hundred and seventy-seven, and many were turned away for lack of room. The evening guild for young women, the cooking and sewing classes were well attended. The Sewing Band, in which many things were taught beside sewing, and which was composed of pupils who did not attend the day-school, but came long distances—some walking several miles—was always well attended, with an average of seventy-five present, and an enrollment of one hundred and eighty. Lessons were given in music, and also to classes in kindergarten and kitchengarden work. The latter lessons

were of great value to the older girls, who came for this special train-

For several years the Home has earned more than half of its expenses, and for the last two years has paid two-thirds. This is surely a fine showing. The work grows rapidly, and its influence is far reaching. We greatly desire to make our Industrial Department more efficient. In order to do this, we must have the needed appliances for the work; such as a sewing-machine, an outfit for the Cooking Department; also for kindergarten and kitchengarden work, and for our school we need thirty-five double desks. Another felt need—and I may say it for each of the other Homes—is a missionary, or deaconess if you please, who will devote her time to work among the people. If this kind of work is needed in our Northern cities, it is doubly needed in cities like Atlanta, Savannah, and Jacksonville. We can not estimate the good that has been done in visiting the cabins, hovels, the so-called homes of these wretched people.

#### Emerson Memorial Industrial Home, Ocala, Fla.

During the year we have had thirteen girls in the Home and twenty-five in the day-school. The "Sheats Law" intimidated many. Parents and children were fearful of the consequences of attending our school, Notwithstanding the small number in Home and school, our missionaries were abundant in labor, as a short summary of their work will show. Number of Bible-lessons given, 236; religious meetings held, 133; visits to sick and needy and on account of the work, 96; lessons in sewing and fancy work, 198; garments and other articles made, 80. In this, as in all of our Homes, the greater part of the work is of such a nature that it is not easy to report. The closing exercises were of great interest. After examinations and literary exercises, there were exhibited over seventy-three articles from the sewing-classes, and fourteen from the cooking-classes.

The earnings of the Home not only paid the running expenses, but

a considerable part of the incidentals.

As a rule, our girls become Christians before leaving our Homes. How much this means! One has said, "The greatest need of the colored girl is not the knowledge derived from text-books, but careful, prayerful

training in all that tends to develop a strong, pure womanhood."

The Homes in the Bureau are all well located; they are doing a work which would not be done in any other way, and which is more needed than any work that is being done for the colored people of the South. In Florida especially, we have had much to contend with during the past year; but with it all, our work has grown and strengthened, and taken deeper root than ever.

The missionaries have returned, and are enthusiastically entering upon a new year of work. They report the outlook as encouraging. They trust to you for the substantial aid and support and sympathy which they so much need, and ask your earnest prayers that more good may be accomplished this year than in any previous year of their work.

Respectfully submitted.

Secretary of Bureau for East Southern States.

#### BUREAU FOR EAST CENTRAL STATES.

The Industrial Homes at Orangeburg, S. C., and Greensboro, N. C., and the industrial Homes and schools at Asheville, N. C., and Camden, S. C., are under the supervision of this Bureau.

#### Simpson Home.

While our work was somewhat disturbed by the severance of the relations between the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society and the State of South Carolina in the maintenance of Claffin University, with which our Home is connected, yet the work of the past year may be regarded as most satisfactory. The crowding of nineteen girls into a house designed to accommodate only twelve, made the management rather difficult. But, in despite of these unfavorable conditions, good order and discipline have been maintained. Visitors from neighboring institutions bear testimony to the high character of the instruction and training given here. Early in the year, the new kitchen—large, light, and comfortable—was finished. A beautiful flag, eight by sixteen fect, and costing twelve dollars, was presented by the girls, who take turns in raising it each morning to the top of the pole, where it can be seen from all points of the college campus. Late in the winter, the revival spirit took possession of the university and the Home. Miss Penfield writes: "We had forward meetings for a few evenings, and then we had to give up school for almost a week, and have meetings all day, and almost all night. All of the campus students were converted, and many of our town students. Altogether, we had over one hundred conversions, some forty were renewed, and all were refreshed. All of our girls, who were not working Christians, were happily converted; so there is great rejoicing with us, and the year, that opened in the midst of change and disturbance, has closed most peacefully. I have received and care given the girls. The people seem more grateful and appreciative than ever before."

#### Kent Home.

This Home is located in connection with Bennett Seminary. During the past year, twelve girls have enjoyed the advantages of the excellent instruction of Miss Lewis and Mrs. Snow, a larger number than that of the preceding year; and at the close there were indications of a larger enrollment for the coming year. The Superintendent reports steady progress on the part of the pupils, manifesting itself in a more faithful performance of the duties assigned them. Of herself and her work she says: "I am trying to live an earnest Christian life before them, because I think this will be most helpful to them; for they hear so much preaching and see so many inconsistencies in the lives of those making a high profession." Mrs. Snow, her companion in labor, has, during the year, given frequent lectures to the girls on practical subjects, and also addressed the students of Bennett Seminary on missionary topics. Together, these ladies canvassed the Church, and prepared the way for the organization of an Auxiliary to our Society. They visit the sick and poor, taking their girls with them, and so give them practical training in working among the poor and destitute. The management of the Home is most economical. No money has been drawn from the general treasury for current expenses. At the close of the year, an exhibition of work from the Sewing Department was made, which greatly pleased the visitors attending the Commencement exercises of Bennett Seminary.

#### Browning Home.

The work at Camden, S. C., consists of an Industrial Home and a day-school. If numbers are an indication of prosperity, then the last year may be considered an exceptionally prosperous year in this work. Forty girls were in the Home, and more would have been glad to come if the crowding had not reached the limit of endurance. The average

attendance in the day-school was 125, and in the night-school about 33. Three courses—Preparatory, English, and Normal—in which the students, girls and boys, range from ten to twenty-five years in age, are maintained. During the past year two new features were added—a kindergarten, and a Sunday-school in the country, where the attendance has grown from five to over one hundred. In connection with this school, three sewing-classes were formed; and three other Sabbath-schools, in the same parish, have resulted as an outgrowth of the first. During the year, the graduating class of six gave two entertainments to pay the expenses of the closing exercises, and to purchase a clock for the school-room, which they desired to leave as a token of their love and interest in the school. The closing exercises made an excellent impression on the hundreds of people who came from the town and adjacent country to hear them. Mrs. Gordon makes an earnest plea for the enlargement of the building. She says: "There must be a large girls' school for Methodists, and it may be in Camden, if the Society can provide for it. If it is the Lord's will, I hope our school may be permitted to grow." The financial report which this school makes is deserving of notice. During the past eight years, the income from board and tuition has not only paid all the current expenses, but has also brought a considerable revenue into the treasury. This year it provided \$250 for the purchase of a piano, and returned \$470 to the general treasury.

#### Asheville Industrial Home and School.

During the past year six girls were received into the Home, and one hundred and twenty enrolled in the day-school. In the past eight years nearly 1,400 pupils have been sent out from this school, and they are to be found in all the places in the city where the best service is required—in the hotels, offices, stores, and markets. Quite a number are teaching in the country schools; while others are sharing, in the improvement of their home-life, the benefit they have received from the industrial training. Without exception, they attribute their present prosperity to the instruction given in our mission school. The new Home, projected last year, is approaching completion. The building is eighty feet wide, and forty-six feet deep, and has a fine piazza extending across the front. The basement is of brick, and contains dining-room, kitchen, pantry, laundry, store-room, coal and furnace rooms. The upper building is of frame, and is three stories, besides the attic, and will furnish accommodations for sixty. It is warmed by hot-air furnaces, and lighted by electricity. All the pledges made at the last Annual Meeting were met, and these, with the generous help secured by Mrs. Marriage Allen, of London, have made it possible to bring the building to its present stage of progress without incurring a debt. But it will be necessary for all those who have made pledges for the coming year, to meet them as soon as possible; for the work not being done by contract, money is needed each week to pay the workmen and the cost of material. The work has been supervised by Dr. L. M. Pease, who, notwithstanding his failing health, has given it constant oversight, and secured for us such reductions in material and labor as to give us a most excellent building at a very small cost. It is now hoped that the building will be ready for occupancy in January, and a supply of bedding, furniture, and all the appliances for industrial work, will be needed before that time, and all such donations will be most thankfully received.

## BUREAU FOR WEST CENTRAL STATES.

## Ritter Industrial Home.

Ritter Home, at Athens, Tennessee, has had a successful year. The attendance numbered fifty-seven different pupils, and the girls in the Home were, as a rule, intelligent and promising. One of our excellent young women, who had been in the Home three years, acted as helper to Mrs. Chapman last year, while going on with her studies, and has this year gone to the Training-school at Washington. She is an earnest Christian, and seems to have special gifts for being helpful to everybody. She is very happy in Washington, and is reported as doing well.

An excellent furnace has been put into the Home, and a good sewer

built, which connects with the sewerage of a large factory, and thus leads into a flowing stream. The buildings are in good condition, and the

Home free from debt.

Mrs. Chapman, the Superintendent, spent her summer vacation in work for the Society in the three Conferences—North Indiana, Minnesota, and Central Pennsylvania. The Secretaries of these Conferences give a

good account of her work.

I was in Athens about the time of the opening in September, and could you read the large number of pathetic appeals for help which Mrs. Chapman had received, I know your sympathies would be excited as mine were. Many of the most touching appeals came from ministers for help to educate their girls. Many of the girls are too poor to come, even if we make them our beneficiaries; for they can not pay the railroad fare, buy the books, and pay the tuition in Grant University. The tuition alone is from \$15 to \$27 per year, according to the grade of school-work, and that is more money than many of the poor ministers can possibly command.

A letter, under date of October 21st, says: "We have now fifty girls, and every room is occupied. We shall need a dozen single cots this term to provide beds for the girls yet to come. Can you find some Auxiliaries or friends who will send us some single bedding, sheets, and comforts, and a bolt or two of pretty prints to cover the beds in the day-time, and a bolt of thin white-goods for curtains for some of our windows? I do not want expensive things, but we must be clean and neat. Our Tucsday class-meetings are better than ever. Three of our girls have been brightly converted this term, and others are interested. Do find some girls that will help us in these supplies that we need."

Delia Lathrop Williams, Chairman Ritter Home Committee.

## New Jersey Industrial Home.

The New Jersey Home, at Morristown, Tenn., has again opened her doors for those who are seeking instruction in home-making. The prospects for the year seem very encouraging. The students are coming earlier than usual, and enter into their Home and school duties with increased earnestness. Already thirteen girls are enrolled, and others are expected soon. We shall be able to accommodate a larger number this year, as our dining-room has been enlarged. During the vacation months the Home has been much improved, not only in appearance, but for our comfort and convenience as well, which will help greatly in carrying out our plans and purposes in training our girls. These much-needed improvements are appreciated, both by those who have charge of the work and the students.

The girls who have come to us, as a whole, are above the average in intelligence—one, receiving a medal for progress; another, for oratory last year. Three of our Home girls will graduate this year. They give promise of great usefulness to their people. None are entirely self-sup-porting. Two of those who will graduate, have been allowed to come, trusting God for some way to open for their support. The gold and the silver are his. Not only funds are needed to carry on our work, but clothing. The scantiness of their wardrobe appeals to those who have

them in charge. It is not sufficient for the winter's cold.

October 5th will be a memorable day to us. Early in the morning an express package came, containing a beautiful flag, 12 x 20 feet. For this we are indebted to Mrs. Fisk and Mrs. Park. Its coming on that day seemed providential, as some distinguished visitors were expected on the morning train. At 2.30 P. M., teachers, students, many friends, numbering more than two hundred, together with Bishop Mallalieu and Dr. Rees, Dr. Freeman, Dr. Hill and wife, assembled on the campus. The bishop, our colored professor, Mr. Fulton, and Brother Hypher, the colored presiding elder in East Tennessee Conference, raised the flag and hearty cheers. Addresses were made by Bishop Mallalieu Dr. Rees the colored presiding elder in East Tennessee Conference, raised the flag amid hearty cheers. Addresses were made by Bishop Mallalieu, Dr. Rees, and Dr. Freeman. "The Star-spangled Banner," "My country, 't is of thee," "Rally round the flag, boys," etc., were sung, the students marching round the flag. The words spoken, the influences of the hour, will live with us, and inspire patriotism in all our hearts. Mrs. S. D. Snow, who was a most successful Superintendent at Kent Home, Greensboro, N. C., for three years, came, October 7th, to assist in our Home. She will render most valuable assistance. Pray that the record this year may surpass all that have preceded it in bringing such instruction and Christian training to those under our care as shall develop lives of usefulness.

Mary Fisk Park, Secretary.

## BUREAU FOR MISSISSIPPI.

This includes two Industrial Homes—the Elizabeth L. Rust, located at Holly Springs; and the Priscilla E. Bennett, at Clarkson. Up to 1885 the Southern "Work for Colored People" was called a "Bureau," and the Corresponding Secretary was held responsible by Executive and General Boards for information in regard to the needs of the whole field, and for the supervision of the missions. At this time the work was divided into three sections—the Eastern, Middle, and West Southern States, and Secretaries provided for the first two divisions, named Bureaus and the third section remained in charge of the Corresponding Bureaus, and the third section remained in charge of the Corresponding Secretary. In 1886 the State of Texas was assigned to a Bureau, and a Secretary elected. In 1887 a Secretary was elected for the West Southern division, including the missions in the States of Louisiana, Arkansas, and Mississippi. At the last Annual Meeting, October, 1896, Mississippi was taken out of the division, and constituted a Bureau, and the two missions located in this State assigned to its supervision; the one at Clarkson not having been, up to this time, reported in any Bureau. Mrs. H. C. Hedges, the newly-appointed Secretary, will in future have charge of these Homes.

## E. L. Rust Home, Holly Springs, Miss.

This was opened in November, 1884. The name was given by the especial request of our President, Mrs. Hayes, and submitted to a general meeting of the Society, over which she presided. We have often felt regret, when appeals were made for enlarged accommodations for other enterprises, and we knew that the Home at Holly Springs was crowded

with students, and suffering for accommodations for students and for its Industrial Departments, that delicacy forbade an appeal, on our part, in its behalf.

The property of the Woman's Home Missionary Society at Holly Springs is adjoining the campus of Rust University, and consists of a beautiful site, of fifteen acres, on which is a good brick house of six rooms, and two cottages of four rooms each. Ten acres of this are under cultivation, and the balance consists of a garden and a stately grove of trees. The cost of this was \$2,600. A model Home was erected for \$2,800; fences and necessary improvements, \$500; costing in all, \$3,300. It has accommodated an average of from twenty-six to thirty girls, and from one hundred to one hundred and fifty have been instructed in the industrial classes.

During the first four years of its history, Dr. Haygood, then Secretary of the Slater Fund, with the cordial approval of General Hayes, President of the Board, gave to this Home, through the Rust University, \$4,800, which aided the Society in purchasing the property, and in supporting the industrial teachers. A kitchen was furnished by the university, and classwork in cooking provided for. A printing-press was secured, and the girls were taught type-setting. Bee-culture was established, which has provided hundreds of pounds of honey for the use of the family, and has been the means of introducing this industry largely among the people as a home comfort in that section of the country.

Miss Sophia Johnston, the Superintendent from the beginning, exerts a wide influence throughout the Conference, and her acquaintance with the needs of the people, and her wise management, have won general respect and confidence, so that parents often make it a condition of sending their daughters to the school that they shall be placed in the Home. In view of the crowded rooms and the economical equipment of the Home, this is a high compliment to its practical and moral influence. Miss Johnston has had the co-operation of able assistants since 1887; of Miss H. A. Lindsay, two years; of Miss Ida Gibson, four years; and since then, of Mrs. J. D. Spear. Miss Gibson wrote: "The conversion of every girl in the Home has made us very happy." It has rarely happened that a girl has remained a year in the Home who the conversion of Christian. A letter from the industrial teacher says: "Scores of appli-Christian. A letter from the industrial teacher says: "Scores of applicants have pleaded, with tears sometimes, for admission into the Home, and have been refused for want of room. The necessities of the work demand, at the earliest time possible, larger accommodations." dially indorse this appeal.

A night-school for mothers has been taught, and one of the cottages

Sisters' Home." This has comfortably accommodated a half-dozen poor old women, relics of slavery, who otherwise would have suffered. The "Sisters of Mercy" of the Colored Church at Holley Springs, and the Woman's Home Missionary Society Auxiliary, co-operate with our teachers in providing for and comforting these beneficiaries. The Missionary society are the girls in the Home with all the state of the colored church as the size of the colored control the size of the colored control the size of the colored church as the size of the colored colored church as the color sion has a good influence over the girls in the Home, who gladly aid in

caring for the almost helpless inmates.

#### Priscilla E. Bennett Industrial Home and School.

This is located at Clarkson, Miss., and is in association with the Woodlawn Academy of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society. The enterprise deserves special notice, in view of the fact that it furnishes a most remarkable illustration of the experience of the Society in securing large results from a comparatively small expenditure of money. A brief abstract of its history will furnish a suggestive objectlesson, and we hope it will encourage those who have ability to provide

help for similarly-neglected localities.

In this case, all honor is due Mrs. Bennett, whose name the insti-tution bears. It was her strong faith that led her to take hold of this cause, when no other friend came to the rescue, and she furnished the necesary funds. The mission has not heretofore been assigned to a Bureau, but has been under the direct care of the Corresponding Secretary, who has selected the teachers and directed the work. At first the Woman's Home Missionary Society did not feel at liberty to make appropriations to it beyond the pledge of Mrs. Bennett, which inaugurated and, to a large extent, has sustained the work.

The Home was opened in 1890, when the Freedmen's Aid donated to our Society five acres of land, and an unfinished frame structure for an Industrial Home. With Mrs. Bennett's contribution of \$400 that year, the first story was finished, with windows, doors, and partition-walls; the salary and expenses of the teacher were paid; and several girls, for a few months, were in the Home. The second year, another \$400, contributed by the save friend, even ideal the teacher invidental expenses and furnish by the same friend, provided the teacher, incidental expenses, and furnishings, and eleven girls were accommodated and given instruction. The third year, the second story was finished and furnished, a teacher employed, and eighteen girls were cared for in the Home, with only the contribution of \$20 in beneficiary aid, in addition to the \$400.

In 1894 the Society took the enterprise under its care, and appropriated to its support, \$800. To meet this appropriation, which was necessary, to provide an additional teacher for industrial and school work, essary, to provide an additional teacher for industrial and school work, Mrs. Bennett continued her generous support, and a considerable amount had been pledged in advance for incidental expenses and beneficiary aid. That year, twenty-three girls were enrolled, and enjoyed the advantages of the Home. In 1895 the work was continued, with from eighteen to twenty girls in the Home, and only \$734 were paid to this work. The school enrolls 150 students. The Freedmen's Aid Society now provides only \$100 towards the salary of the President; the balance of support for the school and Home comes from the Woman's Home of support for the school and Home comes from the Woman's Home

Missionary Society and tuition fees.

This section of country is almost entirely destitute of school and Church privileges, and this school and Home, primitive and inexpensive as are the accomodations and facilities, furnish almost the only opportunity for the education of the white people in this region, and its privileges are gladly welcomed. The principal of the school is a graduate of the Boston University, and a gentleman of culture and piety, who was moved by the missionary spirit to accept this field, with its trials and was moved by the missionary spirit to accept this head, with its than and isolation. Last September, he returned from his summer vacation to his work, bringing with him a young bride, a consecrated lady, who will assist in the school and Home. This addition to the teaching force is made possible by an additional contribution of \$200 by Mrs. Bennett, who does not forget this enterprise for which she has done so much.

Every year since the opening of this school and Home, several pupils, who have profited by its teachings, have been inspired with the desire for more advanced opportunities for higher religious education, Athens, Chattanooga, and Little Rock. This work has been in successful operation for the past six years, and who can measure its far-reaching influence for good? Can we anywhere find larger results for a similar expenditure of funds? Can we afford to allow this enterprise to fail?

Mrs. R. S. Rust, Corresponding Secretary.

## BUREAU FOR WEST SOUTHERN STATES.

#### Peck Home, New Orleans.

New Orlenas, like our large Northern cities, is a very important field for home missionary operations. It is the metropolis of the district where the most ruinous and debasing influences of slavery were felt. The country people from the surrounding districts are crowding into the cities, for its better opportunities. Many colored young women come without friends or advisers, and are lost in the wickedness of the place. "Peck Home" is now making special efforts to extend its industrial training and Christian influences to the girls of the city, as dustrial training and Christian influences to the girls of the city, as well as to those in the Home and university. Under the efficient management of Miss Charlotte E. Hickman, assisted by Miss Ida Gibson, the last school year was very successful. Miss Poppino, an experienced teacher, has been appointed to take charge of the industrial work this year, in place of Miss Gibson, who has been assigned to the Italian work. It is the purpose of these teachers to extend as far as possible the beneficent influences of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

The sacrifices that many of these girls make to secure an education is almost pathetic. They usually spend their vacations in labor or in teaching, to earn the money to pay their school expenses. Many more would be glad to come, if they could be helped by scholarship money. The necessities of some of our girls were happily relieved by kind friends from the North. Could these friends have realized how comfortable and happy these gifts of warm clothing made the girls, they would feel more than repaid for the effort it cost to send them. "Peck Home" hopes to extend its influence through its scholars to their own home neighborhoods, and as teachers they can reach both pupils and parents. Scholarship money is much needed to aid worthy girls, who greatly desire and need the benefits of our Home, but can not enjoy them unless

so helped.

#### The Italian Work in New Orleans.

This work was much hindered last year by the serious illness of Miss Page, who has so long had it in charge. When she could no longer keep it, Miss Ida Gibson was appointed to take charge, and did what she could to prosecute it successfully. The dreadful prevalence of smallpox prevented her doing as much as she otherwise would. But she is enthusiastic in her plans for this year's work. There are twenty thousand Italians in New Orleans, and they are needing very much the influences of Protestant Christianity, and so little is being done for them. We commend this department of our work as worthy of special consideration and gifts.

#### The Adeline Smith Home, Little Rock, Arkansas.

The success of this school was somewhat disturbed last year by the withdrawal of both the old teachers. This year we have secured the services, as superintendent, of Mrs. Nesmith, a returned missionary from Africa. She comes highly recommended for efficiency and devotion, by Bishop Taylor and Bishop Merrill. She will be assisted by Miss Elliott, and a prosperous year is predicted.

All these Homes need repairs and supplies.

Mrs. Eliza K. Arter, Secretary.

#### THE TEXAS BUREAU.

This Bureau covers a territory equal in extent to that of most European empires. Unfortunately, we have scarcely entered the land, much less taken possession. King Home, our only school in Texas, is located at Marshall, in the northeast corner of the State. We are sorry to be obliged again to report that this one building still remains unfinished. Nothing has been done towards the building of a Home in west Texas, much as it is needed, because of the scarcity of money. This has been a very prosperous year at King Home, under the efficient management of Miss E. O. Elliott, assisted by Miss Clara King. Twenty-eight girls can now be accommodated in the building by crowding; but when the of the colored people for an education, and the progress which they have made, is the marvel of the century. The nations of Europe have divided Africa among themselves, but they must now wait till America can furnish the skilled leaders in industry and government for the African race. Unskilled labor is not wanted there, but there is a great demand for trained men and women to lead in its redemption. Bishop Hartzell, whom the colored people of the South know and love, will, we think, be able to lead many of them into his new field of labor.

It is our duty as a Society to help qualify young colored women of the South to take part in this foreign, as well as home, missionary

work.

Money can be invested to no better advantage than in helping these our Industrial Homes is, that it takes poor colored girls from their ignorant surroundings, and puts them under new and elevating influences. They go out as teachers in the country schools, and carry with them new ideals, received in the Home, to develop them in their own neighborhoods.

Mrs. Mary C. Hickman,

Bureau Secretary.

## BUREAU FOR UTAH.

The words of the poet come to me as I open my report of the work of the Utah Bureau for another year, who out of the present sings:

> "Clasp, angel of the backward look, With folded wings of ashen gray, The brazen covers of thy book; Shut down and clasp the heavy lids. I hear again the voice that bids The dreamer leave his dream midway For larger hopes and graver fears. Life greatens in these later years; The century's aloe flowers to-day.

The evolution from polygamy openly practiced to the clandestine practice of it, the establishment of a free press and the public-school system of our country, have brought, even to the adherents of the Mormon faith, a freedom of thought and action which can not be suppressed even by the five hundred thousand officials in the Mormon Church. This vantage-ground must be held. Dr. Iliff, superintendent of the mission for the past twenty years, in a recent letter, says: "At our Annual Meeting it was the unanimous opinion that the missionwork in Utah was never more demanded, if quite as much, as under the changed and changing conditions, politically, socially, and religiously,

constantly going on in Utah.

It must not be thought for a moment that all those who apostatize from the Mormon Church do so to accept Christianity. Infidelity is one of the ripe fruits of Mormonism. From their earliest recollection the children have been taught a disregard for, and distrust of, the Christian. But our schools, which have been stepping-stones to the home, have revealed to these very children, and indeed to the parents as well, the love and sacrifices of our devoted workers for them,

## Property.

Our Spencer Home, in Salt Lake City, built upon the ground given by the Scandinavian Church, with the proviso in the deed that it should be used for the benefit of missionary work among the ten thousand of this nationality in the city needing such service, was rented a year ago at fifteen\_dollars per month, and the money used toward the support of Miss Hansen, who is living in Davis Deaconess Home, working exclusively among the Scandinavians upon deaconess allowance.

The Philadelphia Home, at Logan, has been leased for a term of years at ten dollars per month, the lessee making all necessary repairs

upon the property.

There has been expended upon Davis Deaconess Home, in repairs and furnishings, one hundred and eighty five dollars and eighty-five cents. The Home still has in its treasury twelve dollars and ninety cents, besides twenty-five dollars and sixty cents secured for use of the deaconesses in local work—making a grand total of two hundred and thirty-three dollars and thirty-seven cents.

Necessary repairs have been ordered for the Columbus Home, at Elsinore, to the amount of sixty-four dollars. Thirty dollars of this is paid from rent received for the building during the years 1894 and 1895.

The other properties of the Society are in good condition.

#### Auxiliaries.

It is with unfeigned pleasure that I report, I think for the first time in the history of our work in Utah, money paid into the general treasury of the Society through membership fees.

The Corresponding Secretary of the Mission, Mrs. Adda M. Snow, of Corinne, together with Mrs. Spence, Superintendent of our Davis Deaconess Home, has organized four Auxiliaries, which, together with the one Mrs. Snow organized at her home before she was appointed Secretary, gives us five Societies, which, under the rule governing membership fees in Mission Conferences, sends one-half of this money Mission Band at Corinne, and a little company of Mothers' Jewels.

First Church, Salt Lake City, has raised during the year in dues money for local work, and supplies sent to Oklahoma, one hundred and

one dollars and sixty-six cents.

During the session of the Mission Conference, the Conference Anniversary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society was established. The Corresponding Secretary presided, and made her report. Addresses of great interest were given by Bishop Vincent and the editor of the Central Christian Advocate, Dr. Young. At the close, with an interesting and solemn service, Miss Briggs and Miss Smith, two of our faithful deaconesses, were consecrated to the service of the Order by Bishop Vincent.

#### Salt Lake.

Mrs. Spence, Superintendent of Davis Deaconess Home, from our Training-school in Washington, with her three associates in the Home, has given most efficient service throughout the year. They have conducted Mothers' Meetings in different parts of the city, are Superintendents of Junior Leagues and Sabbath-schools, and leaders in revival services.

## Ogden.

Miss Randall, who went a year ago from the Training-school at Washington to Ogden, has won friends to herself and the Master during the time. She says: "There is every promise that the coming year will be one of successful effort in our work."

#### Logan.

Logan is a stronghold of Mormonism, with its Temple, Agricultural College, and other institutions under Mormon rule. Mrs. Wheeler has done good service.

#### Provo.

Mrs. Helen M. Kingsbury occupies our East Ohio Home as a missionary, doing faithfully her work upon deaconess allowance. Mrs. Kingsbury is a trophy from Mormonism. Thoroughly does she appreciate the new light. She says: "Now is the time to work. There are more doors open to us than ever before. There is great need of earnest, consecrated work among the young people, so many are going to ruin." Mrs. Kingsbury holds an Industrial School in the Home, giving to the children each month, at her own expense, a social treat, with refreshments.

#### Mt. Pleasant.

Miss Henry, our missionary at this point, has grasped her work with all the ardor of the trained Christian worker. She has organized and conducted throughout the year a Reading Circle for young ladies.

#### Schools.

Our schools in Maroni, Spring City, and Elsinore have been well attended. In none of these villages is there any Christian influence, except these Christian schools. The teacher at Elsinore has also conducted an Industrial School, which has been so attractive and efficient in its work that one has been opened by a Mormon teacher as a counterattraction.

## Richfield and Ephraim.

Appropriations were made for missionaries or deaconesses for Richfield and Ephraim, but none were found to take the places. While it is considered desirable to secure those who speak both English and Scandinavian for these points, yet one who speaks only English will be received, and a large field will be open to her.

May I not ask that Auxiliaries make a study of the conditions in Utah, politically, socially, morally, and religiously? "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places."

Mrs. B. S. Potter, Secretary.

## BUREAU FOR NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA (SPANISH)

The work in New Mexico among the Spanish received a great uplift this year in the completion of our building, and the opening of Har-

wood Industrial Home in Albuquerque.

Since the dedication of this institution, March 1st, our friends have since the dedication of this institution, March 1st, our friends have increased; first, in Albuquerque citizens and business men have been generous and helpful. Our Mexican friends helped in bringing to our premises the irrigating ditch, and thus making it possible to have trees and shrubs, and, in time, a garden. The Telephone Company has placed in our Home one of those wonderful instruments, by which we are brought in speaking distance with the business center of town.

One who had been a teacher in a prominent educational institution in Albuquerque, and gone to a new home, believing in our work, its needs and its future, has recently sent a check for a year's support for a

needs and its future, has recently sent a check for a year's support for a

Mexican girl in our Home school.

Our school-room has been beautifully furnished during the summer Our school-room has been beautifully turnished during the summer by our faithful allies in the work, the women of Colorado Conference. The wood-work, desks, and seats are finished in natural oak color, and the tops of the desks in cherry color. There is a good set of school maps on the walls, the gift of a friend in Los Angeles, Cal. Also we have a large globe and good blackboards. We only need some charts for botany and physiology, and maps for Bible lessons.

From Southern California have come packages of dried-fruit that turnish luxuries for our table. Many kind friends have remembered the work, so that we have, during the summer, been able to purchase much-needed furniture.

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Especially gratifying was a gift from Miss Fannie Hayes, in memory of her beloved mother, that enabled us to purchase several articles for the comfort of our faithful missionaries.

From Plainfield, N. J., has come additional furniture for the dining-

Topeka women have decided to provide for one of the girls who

occupies the room that they named and furnished.

Garcia Room, named in memory of the first Mexican Methodist Episcopal preacher by his children, has been furnished by friends in New Mexico. Out of their limited means they give generously.

Lead Avenue Auxiliary, in Albuquerque, have been and are helping, in a very substantial way, this Home so near them.

Thus from the Atlantic Coast to the Pacific Slope the friends of the Mexico circle are companying with precious gifts, the yearly of careful gather.

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Our faithful missionaries are greatly rejoiced over the encouraging outlook. Together, these consecrated workers are able to conduct a kindergarten, teach in all household industries, and, in the school-room, prepare our students for college.

#### Las Cruces.

Miss M. J. Tripp continues her faithful work at Las Cruces. As it is the time for change of pastor, it is well for them that the

missionary teacher remains.

Valuable additions come to the Church and school occasionally, as intelligent and industrious Mexicans come out into the light of truth. This Church fails not to send its missionary collection.

## Las Vegas.

At Las Vegas the work is broadening. An earnest, good Mexican preacher is giving his time to teaching and leading the people, whom he gathers into the chapel every Sabbath. Our Miss Snider, with that in her day-school, Sunday-school, and other lines of work, is finding new opportunities.

The seed sown in this field will yield a bountiful harvest in the sweet by and by. Who will follow the Lord's command, and help us

to bring his sunshine into otherwise darkened souls?

Mrs. Anna Kent, Secretary.

## BUREAU FOR NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA (INDIAN.)

#### The Apache Mission.

Faithful work has been done by our self-sacrificing missionaries at the Apache Mission at Dulce, New Mexico. The chapel was completed and opened on Thanksgiving-day, last November, amidst great rejoicings by teachers, pupils, Mexicans, and Apache Indians, who united in a service of thanksgiving to God for enabling them to have such a nice, comfortable place in which to meet for worship. They all united in a dinner, to which the people contributed, one man sending a wild turkey. Though the building to completed these are no section agents of the broken. Though the building is completed, there are no seats, except old broken ones from the old school-room, and a few chairs; other articles of furniture are a real necessity. There are applications from all directions, from children and young people desiring to enter the school, many more than can be accommodated. A boarding-hall, or Industrial Home, is very much needed; also, furnishings for some rooms that are being added. All of the rooms over the chapel were rented to self-supporting students last year, and are already taken for this winter. There were seven children in the Home, and much of the time fifteen in family. Among the pupils were two men and their wives. This is the only school in that part of the country where the higher branches are taught. We desire scholarships for several children. We have the pledge of one in our Conference; and last year, Mr. Dodge, of Chicago, supported two besides sending a lost of shoes of children's sizes and two

ported two, besides sending a box of shoes of children's sizes and two clocks, and has been a true friend in a time when friends were needed.

## Navajo Mission.

The work on the Navajo Reservation the past year has been very satisfactory, although very hard, owing to the transition from herders to farmers going on among the Indians, as they have been obliged to change their mode of living, owing to the fall in prices of wool and pelts and ponies. They have carried on the work on the ditches, begun last year, faithfully, and have made many new fields. They have built some new log houses, and had planned to build several adobe houses; but as they have had much work furnished them by the white ranchmen, as they have had much work lurnished them by the white ranchmen, they have thought it best to earn all the money they could, and let the building of their houses go until another year. Their work has been very acceptable to the white ranchmen, one man alone having employed seventy-five Indians on an extension ditch, and voluntarily raised their wages from fifty cents per day with board, to seventy-five cents per day and board, saying, thereafter the Navajoes would be employed by him in preference to white men. The women own and care for the herds of these following them day after day; and while doing this spin the wool sheep, following them day after day; and, while doing this, spin the wool

into yarn, from which the beautiful Navajo blankets are made, often requiring four months in the weaving of a blanket after the yarn has been prepared.

Except during the very hot weather, the Sabbath-school has been sustained, and there is a growing interest and desire to be instructed out of the Word of God, for which the Navajoes show great reverence.

The windmill is now being put up, which was a necessity, not only to bring the water from a depth of seventy feet, but for irrigation purposes, as nothing can grow in that country without irrigation, and there poses, as nothing can grow in that country without irrigation, and there is not a spear of anything green in the vicinity of the mission. When the windmill is completed, it will enable us to irrigate about ten acres of land around the mission, for garden, and shade and fruit trees, and grass. This is to be a permanent Home, a deed having been given us for forty acres of land from a homestead right taken up by Mrs. Eldridge, and Miss Tripp, having added a coidicil to her will, giving the adobe building (16 x 44 feet inside measurement, and walls 18 inches thick) to the Woman's Home Missionary Society. After our missionaries have done this for our work, can we refuse to listen to their plea for a chapel, which is a real necessity? We are assured that the people, whites and which is a real necessity? We are assured that the people, whites and Navajoes, will donate at least one hundred dollars in work for this purpose. Mrs. E. W. Simpson, Secretary.

## BUREAU FOR INDIAN AND FRONTIER WORK.

Of the late William E. Dodge, a foremost missionary writer says calling the Indian question the open sore of the country: "When Presi dent Grant undertook to conciliate the Red Man by just dealing, Mr. Dodge became one of the commissioners, and he gave time which was more valuable than money, and could far less easily be given. But in settling this question, it was time and thought that outweighed any amount of money. Gold could not heal the open sore of our Republic.

"In 1869 he personally went on a tour of inspection, thirty days beyond the post-office frontiers, and laid the basis of friendly relations with our Indian wards. For five years this merchant-prince gave his help to this Board, saving nobody knows how many dollars and lives."

Because of the hindering influence of the Government, and the wandering habits of Indians, our own Church did not extend its missions among them. One step in the right direction is worth a century of misdirected efforts. It was President Grant who took this right step, and rallied to his help the Churches.

It was no romance, no light thing, to this silent seer and mighty warrior. He saw the Indian's hapless lot. He saw his responsibility.

O that we might see ours!

When I appeal to our Conference Secretaries to request every one of their Auxiliaries to give something for our Indians, I ask on the principle of justice. It is business to pay back what we owe. Let us be just! Why should not the coming race hold out a helping hand to those who depart, leaving all their possessions behind them?

I will diverge to mention one fact worthy of note. It is, that John Elliott, in 1635, came from Cambridge, England, and, plunging into the wilds of America, became the apostle of the gospel to the Indians. The

report of his heroic toils and sufferings to save a heathen race aroused the conscience of the Christian world to begin foreign missions. Thus the Indians of our country have the distinguished pre-eminence of being the occasion by which were inaugurated the mighty missions which now cover the world.

Of missions to Indians, besides those among the Navajoes and Apaches, this Society has five; also two field matrons, nonimated by us, are in Oklahoma.

At Pawhuska, Oklahoma, among the Osages, we have a Church and congregation of both whites and Indians, with a Sunday-school averaging 125 pupils. We have, also, a day-school of whites, embracing those who

can and who can not pay.

The Oklahoma Conference, with which we have a compact to furnish a pastor and missionary, has proved a somewhat unprobtable partner. The annual change of our missionary results every time in disaster to our mission. The Secretary of the Bureau has sent a remonstrance to the Conference, whose session has just ended, which it is hoped will prevent further removals. If not, the partnership should cease, and our work continue independently. Those who read our paper will know how prosperously our houses and lot, and Indians and whites, have been doing the past year among the Osages. At Ponca we have a circuit embracing many whites, the Otoes, and remote Osages—a wide range of country wholly destitute of the gospel. We have here a singularly evangelical family, abundant in labors among the people, and in their care for our property. Here, as at Pawhuska, fruit-trees, flowers, and vegetables cover the ground. The seed-sowing for Christ is tireless and abundant, and the harvest will yet appear.] Mr. and Mrs. Irvine were co-laborers with General and Mrs. Booth in the London Christian Mission. Of this mission at Ponca, the Philadelphia Conference has charge, saying

which comprehends all that we would rejoice to say of efficient help.

Excellent reports come from our two field matrons. Prayer, preaching, visiting from lodge to lodge and camp to camp, instructing both Indian women and men in the arts of life, bringing them to Christ and habits of comfort, have been the work of these women, as of all our Indian missionaries. The Indians trust and love them, and quite a large

number profess conversion.

At Ukiah, Cal., one of President Grant's Christian agents travels another Indian circuit of three stations. He has secured homes from the Government for the Indians in severalty, like a father selecting the best locations. His reports are full of praise to God for having vanquished those who sell whisky, and for having joined a few more polygamists in lawful wedlock. There is no change since last year, only from two of the three Government schools the very devout Christian teachers have resigned. These, with Mr. Burchard, have sustained the Sabbath-schools. There are about eight hundred Indians in this man's parish, and tô say that he, though an old man, is pre-empting this tract of country for Christ and temperance is a fact that those who read his reports must know. At the fifteenth Annual Meeting, this mission was transferred to the California Conference, which is now able to take care of it.

LAt Fort Simcoe, Washington, among Father Wilbur's Yakimas, is Mrs. E. C. Miller, an educated physician, sent there by our lamented

Mrs. Dorchester.

One more thing I will say: "Our Indians die well." Full of immortal hope and resignation, their dying words feed and comfort many, and

the heart of the missionary also.

Thus, to those who sit in darkness and doubt as to the future, do we "bring life and immortality to light." There is a sufficient reason for missions to all heathen. And a closing remark is this: Though we may not report many conversions, still there are constant accessions to the ranks of Christ from the ranks of sin and heathenism. But more, the general influence, the atmosphere of missions, make conditions without which we should have a very different kind of legislation. A legis-

lation which is for righteousness and Christian institutions in these localities is such because of our missions, which we—O slow of faith!—think are of so little value.

Mrs. H. C. McCabe, Secretary.

#### BUREAU FOR ALASKA.

Encouragements and discouragements have marked the progress of our mission during the past twelve months; but we close the year with joyful hearts and gratitude unto the One who has verified his promise, "I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee."

The winter was unusually severe. From November to April our missionaries were "shut in." No word from the homes they left in September until April. When I was before you one year ago I was exuberant over the long-talked of new building that was about finished, so far as could be, with our appropriation. You kindly voted \$1,000 to complete the necessary conveniences. I told you of the Government school-building that was to be put up at a cost of \$5,000, and fully expected by this time our Home would be occupied. In May the word came that the carpenters had hardly got out to sea when a great hurricane swept the Aleutian Chain, and the Government building was swerved from its foundations; but while ours did not move from the foundation, it was so shaken it was not considered safe. So the Home must still occupy its present quarters until something definite is decided. Of course, this means more money.

After seven years of labor, Mr. and Mrs. Tuck have come home, and we are sure they needed the change and rest. We can only pray that Mrs. Tuck may be restored to health and strength, and they be enabled in some other field to accomplish even more than in the pioneer work they prosecuted in Unalaska. Miss Mellor, who has assisted Mrs. Tuck, has been appointed superintendent of the school by the Bureau of Education, and Miss Salamatoff her assistant. In answer to an earnest plea for another helper, Miss Sarah J. Rinch was sent (from the Union Missionary Training Institute, Brooklyn, N. Y.) in August, to be Miss

Sowle's assistant.

While a great part of the letters from Alaska refer to material work, we are also told of the results. The joyous news of seven conversions has been reported to us. The difference with these Aleuts is just as it is with us. When Christ comes into a human soul, and the "Spirit bears witness" that they are his children, a radical change takes place, and is manifested in the spirit of the home. They "go and tell the story" as soon as saved, until the whole household is permeated with peace and joy. Miss Sowle says, "It would do your heart good to see how happy they are!'

Mrs. Maria F. Gray, a member of this Burcau, has visited the Home during the past summer, and feels that the building is the one drawback

to a successful Home, and the one hindrance to great progress.

I take from the last report of the Commissioner of Education the following, which shows the marked difference between a Christian home and school and a mere secular training without the spirit of helpfulness, because the teachers do not claim allegiance to the King of kings: "The school at Unalaska is made up mainly of girls that are in the Jesse Lee Memorial Home. Being regular in attendance, they have made very rapid progress during the year. Indeed, this is one of the model schools of Western Alaska and through its efficiency has attracted much schools of Western Alaska, and through its efficiency has attracted much attention from the officers of the Behring Sea fleet, as well as others who have had a chance to visit it. Especial attention is invited to the schools

on the seal islands. They have been in operation over twenty years, and yet they have not succeeded in teaching a pupil to read or write a word in the English language. Radical changes are absolutely necessary in these respects, if it is the desire of our Government to civilize, educate, and improve this people. They should not only be taught the rudiments of the English language, but also habits of industry, economy, cleanliness, and morality. That these people are quick to learn and susceptible to rapid improvement is demonstrated in the charity school at Unalaska. Six of the most promising orphans on the islands were sent there in September, 1890, and I found, on visiting the school this year, 1893, that they could speak the English language quite fluently, and read and write quite intelligently." Mr. Joseph Stanley Brown, acting Treasury agent in charge of the seal islands, in an official report to the Secretary of the Treasury, writes, December I, 1892: "For over twenty years the Government has maintained an English school upon the islands, and yet not ten natives on both of them can make themselves even fairly well understood in English, nor has any appreciable advance been made in the direction of American citizenship. An illustration of what can be done: That it is not impossible to establish schools that will be entirely successful in teaching these people to speak, read, and to write the English language, but to train them in more upright and useful methods of domestic life, is shown by the history of the Lee School at Unalaska. At this school have been gathered children from all parts of the Aleutian Chain, and some from the islands of St. Paul and St. George, whose intellectual advancement seemed hopeless. Before two years had passed, these children were able to make themselves well understood in English, while their improvement in manner and character was simply astonishing. This I know from personal observation. The success of the Lee School is due to the personal equation of the individuals presiding over it, and to the fact that the children are removed from their native home influences."

You can readily see the above is from an unbiased standpoint. Four of our girls will probably come to Carlisle, Pa., next year. Dr. Sheldon Jackson feels they have much promise, and desires them to have better advantages. One is nearly eighteen. Her mother will do her best to ruin her if she can get her out of the Home. We feel if she can get to Carlisle it will be her safety.

I desire to record our sincere thanks to Captain Hooper, of the revenue cutter Bear, for many kindnesses—he has been a wise counselor, and helpful in numerous ways; to the North American Commercial Company, for transportation of donation boxes free, and great reduction on freight for our supplies; to J. Stanley Brown, Colonel Murray, Dr. Sheldon Jackson, and members of the Alaska Commercial Company.

Anna F. Beiler, Secretary.

#### BUREAU FOR IMMIGRANTS.

Immigration the past year has increased, to some extent, over the preceding year, arrivals at our New York port being 263,709; East Boston, 21,864; and at Philadelphia, 21,000; making a total of 306,550 transatlantic this number, 66,425 were Italians, and landed in New York, being a larger number of that nationality than in any preceding year, except in 1893. In the month of April alone, this year, 36,915 immigrants landed in New York, and of that number 14,203 were Italians. The class of immigrants now coming to our shores settle more largely in our great cities. They are not an agricultural people, and do not go West. For this reason the opportunities to do missionary work are increasing around our Immigrant Homes. It has been my great privilege, through the courtesy of the Philadelphia ladies, to visit, the past year, all the Homes in this Bureau. While I have rejoiced at the good work done in them, I have also felt sad that Philadelphia and New York had not better facilities for carrying forward the immense and increasing work all about them.

## 27 State Street, New York City.

This Home has been repaired this year, and made more comiortable for the workers. We have, as last year, the faithful services of Miss A. Matthews as missionary, and Miss M. L. Orr as Superintendent. They have been in labors abundant. While on the wharf with our missionary, I was delighted to see the uniform courtesy extended to all Christian workers by the officiary, and that their advice was often sought and their help appreciated, and that those in our employ were not behind others in tact or bravery to defend the right. The following statistics of this Home seem cold and unmeaning compared with the souls touched by the Christ-love and ministry:

Number of steamers met
Number of lodgings provided.
Number of meals furnished
Number of women
Number of children
Number of men
Number of Protestants
Number of Catholics 4
Number of nations represented
Number of situations secured
Number of tracts and papers distributed5,400
Numbers of letters and postals written 532
Number of telegrams sent
Number of girls sent to friends
Number of calls made

## 72 and 74 Marginal Street, East Boston, Mass.

In this Home, Mrs. A. C. Clark still presides as Superintendent. She has done much valuable work this year in temperance lines, and many men have been redeemed from lives of degradation and sin. Some unfortunates have been sent back to their homes across the sca, sick ones put into hospitals, and others nursed to health; picnics for the children and Christmas festivals for all,—while the large house has been filled to its utmost capacity with every incoming steamer during a greater part of the year. This has kept all workers in our Home busy every waking hour.

Our debt on the Home is all paid. Our work grows, and our missionary is in great favor with officials on the wharf, and is ever trusted

as a friend. The following are the statistics for the year:

Number of steamers met	62
Number of lodgings provided	
Number of meals furnished	
Number of women	
Number of children	
Number of men	220

Number of Protestants634Number of Catholics67Number of nations represented12Number of situations secured8Number of tracts and papers distributed892Number of letters and postals written371Number of telegrams sent25
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Number of calls made

# 966 and 967 Otsego Street, Philadelphia, Penn.

The past year has been a varied one in the history of this Home. For the first six months of the year the work went on as usual. In February a terrible fire ravaged the neighborhood, and burned all around it, but was not permitted to injure this Home. To shelter their homeless neighbors was the first duty of our missionaries, and for several months their regular work was delayed. Later the work has assumed regular form, with new helpers, and every prospect of future success. There is good outlook for missionary work around the Home. For Mothers' Meetings for religious meetings, and with the present force now in the Home, this work will be inaugurated. We hope the day is not far distant when our Philadelphia Home will have larger quarters and better facilities.

#### STATISTICS.

Number of steamers met 49
Number of lodgings provided
Number of meals turnished 871
Number of women
Number of children
Number of men
Number of Protestants
Number of Catholics
Number of nations represented
Number of situations secured
Number of tracts and papers distributed3.789
Number of letters and postals written
Number of telegrams sent
Number of girls sent to friends.
Number of calls made
Number of cans made

The grand work done by all these Homes in sheltering the homeless, binding up the broken-hearted, and relieving anguish, can not be told on paper. The record is on high. But figures may help us to believe our money well invested.

Mrs. G. W. Mansfield, Secretary,

# WATTS DE PEYSTER HOME.

Tivoli, New York,

In reviewing the work of this Home during the past year, we are glad to be able to report encouraging progress. Our number has increased to forty-five, and the passing months and years are bringing some of our older girls to the time when they are to leave the Home, to put in practice what has been taught them, and to use the training they have received to fit them for self-support and usefulness. One has already gone, and is in domestic service in a good place; and another is

soon to go. We feel sure that, in after years, these girls will always gratefully remember their experience of home and family life, and the self-sacrificing labors of those who have them in charge. Mr. and Mrs. George are constant and faithful in service, and though all our helpers find their duties incessant and exacting, yet they receive large recompense in the development of character, and the awakening and growth of moral purpose and religious life among those under their care. The painting of our buildings has greatly improved the property, so far as external appearance goes, while the interior is becoming more and more like the comfortable and well-ordered home we would have it be. Every day, each one is busy with allotted duty and service cheerfully performed; but there are pleasant breaks in the regular routine, and, did space permit, I could speak of delightful Founders' Day, of the Thanksgiving and Christmas festivals, and other holidays, when our beloved and glorious flag floats over no brighter, happier assembly than our family at Watts de Peyster. We long to see a greater expansion of the work; and, thanking our friends for past kindness and help, the members of the Committee find courage to ask for larger things.

Mrs. James M. King, Chairman.

# ELIZABETH E. MARCY HOME.

Newberry Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

It is now seven years last March since we began collecting funds

for a permanent Home for our work in Chicago.

The site of this Home, together with the wooden building in which

our work has been carried on up to the present year, was purchased about five years ago for \$11,500.] The following, a part of the report of the Building Committee, may not be out of place:

"Work began, in the removal of the old building to the rear of the lot, the first week in September. We had at that time paid for our property, and had \$4,000 in the bank. We had also in prospect Mrs. Britton's bequest of \$1,000, and were able to borrow, on a mortgage, \$7,000; making our available resources, \$12,000. The work was planned deliberately and carefully, and with the strictest economy consistent with strength. durability, and the ample accommodations needed for a various and expanding work. We have now, it is believed, for the purpose for which it was erected, a well-planned, convenient, and substantial building, which has cost, together with the removal and necessary repairs of the old building, about \$15,000.

"Our floating debt, \$1,800 or more when the building was completed, is nearly paid off. The whole value of the property is not less than \$26,000, \$19,000 of which has been paid already in the space of seven years. This money has been collected mostly in small sums. Six persons have given \$100 each, and one individual of these has for several years made this her annual contribution. A very few have given \$50, and others \$25 each; but the large majority of items, summing up an amount of more than \$10,000, range in value from \$10 down to the fraction of one dollar. The predominant numeral is 5, and many of these \$5 rep-

one dollar. The predominant numeral is 5, and many of these \$5 represent pathetic little histories of self-denial that the angels love to record—the pennies of the infant-class, or the surrender of the new winter bonnet. The building was completed and opened the 21st of March, the vernal equinox; and as there are no accidents of chance in God's economy of events, this was hailed as a pleasant augury of the awakening and revivifying influences that we hope and expect to go forth from this enter-

prise. A friendly narrator sums up a detailed description of the building in these words: "The impression upon the visitor is that of neatness, cheeriness, and inviting simplicity."

We are hoping, by rents, to reduce our bonded debt, so that the property, being free from incumbrance, in a comparatively short time we can have all the space, of both the old house and the new, for the different departments of work that we wish to open up, and for which we have made ultimate plans.

It will be seen that we began a building that was hable to carry us several thousand dollars beyond our resources. This was a case where we knew the "unexpected would happen."

We provided for this emergency by distributing the work of finishing—asking each Auxiliary, or district, as many as would, to finish a room, which it should be privileged to name.

The plan proved a success; and aithough some parties taking this obligation are still in arrears, we expect the whole amount will be paid

up this year.

We are frequently asked what our work is. In some respects, our work differs from that of any other Home. Every locality has its peculiar environment, which, in some measure, determines its plan of work. Our work was begun in the Bohemian quarter of the city, and in connection with the City Missionary Society; and this department—the Bohemian Mission—is really the joint work of three different organizations: the Parent Missionary Society pays the preacher's salary; the City Missionary Society, in part, deirays current expenses; our workers aid in the Sunday-school and social religious work. This constitutes the Bohemian mission-work, which, while it might be carried on as other Bohemian missions of the city are, without any connection with over Society, still gives us a certain hold on and connection with a very our Society, still gives us a certain hold on and connection with a very interesting nationality. But the children of all other nationalities throng the streets, and have equal claims upon our Christian sympathy and help. (In a population of about forty thousand in this locality, only about one thousand are Americans; and here may be found, in relatively large proportion, ranks that go to make up the great army of one hundred thousand children, whose footsteps never cross the threshold of a Sundayschool.

Our regular work was, in a measure, interrupted during the building of the new Home. What has been done in kindergarten and kitchenauspices of benevolent institutions of the city that maintain such helps in needy localities. We, on our part, supply the necessary accommo-

dations, and they provide the rest.

The Industrial School that meets on Saturday afternoon has always been a marked feature. The teacher's services are gratuitous, and one

of the city Auxiliaries has undertaken its support for the year.

The young people of the Church are now associated in a Junior League, and have also a Club organization. We look confidently for a steady development of our work, until every department for which we have a plan provided shall be in full operation at the Home.

E. E. MARCY, Secretary.

# GLENN INDUSTRIAL HOME.

West Fourth Street, Cincinnati.

The fifth year's work at Glenn Home was one of success under the leadership of Mrs. John L. Coulter, Chairman, and Mrs. James Dale, Vice-Chairman.

Miss Deakin, weary from years of active missionary work, served as Superintendent of the Home

Mrs. Allison, aglow with enthusiasm for the salvation of souls, assumed control of the missionary work. Mrs. Allison's long experience in the Bohemian work of Chicago qualified her to enter immediately into all lines of work at Glenn Home, and to develop some new features. Sabbath-school was held regularly at the mission, with an average attendance of sixty-seven children. Four conversions were reported. One hundred and five gospel services and prayer-meetings were held. Revival services of one week's duration resulted in eighteen persons proiessing conversion.

The sewing-class for white girls averaged thirty-five; while the aver-

age number of pupils in the colored class was fifty-seven.

The average attendance in kitchengarden work was twenty-three. A Working Girls' Club, for both white and colored girls, reported

average attendance ten and fifteen respectively.7

The study of "Citizenship" was taken up by the Young Men's Clubs, in which were enrolled forty white and twenty-five colored youths.

The Reading-room was kept open each evening at the Mission. missionaries were in readiness to greet the homeless boys who throng that neighborhood, and who would otherwise roam the streets or frequent saloons.

Visits made in canvassing amounted to two thousand; while nine hundred and sixty-eight visits with prayer or Scriptural instruction were made. The City Hospital and Home of Incurables were visited.

To discourage pauperism, except to the penniless, articles of clothing were sold for a mere song. "There is no more perilous point in the whole dangerous pilgrimage of any man's life than the one where he accepts

his first alms.

To encourage a spirit of helpfulness, a Glenn Home Auxiliary to the Woman's Home Missionary Society has been formed. These wage-earning women are made happy in the thought that they can help in the great work of thoroughly Christianizing our native land. Many of them are casting into the treasury the "widow's mite," and are receiving her benediction. This Auxiliary attended the Conference meeting in a body. comfortably dressed in clothing supplied for the occasion by one of our Circles.

A Band has also been organized, in connection with the Glenn Home work, by Mrs. Allison. Who can estimate the vitalizing effect that this education to helpfulness will have upon these children? May they shine as lights in this city, where only twenty-five per cent of the population have their names on the Church records!

Mrs. E. D. Worden again served as Superintendent of Kindergartens.

One hundred and twenty-five children were in attendance upon the three kindergartens. Through the children, the missionaries and teachers gain an entrance to the homes, and thus try to minister to the whole family.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Geo. H. Thompson, reported receipts, \$2,549.98; expenditures, \$2,503.01; balance in treasury, \$46.97.

Mrs. I. D. Jones, Chairman Glenn Home Committee.

# MOTHERS' IEWELS HOME.

At the opening of the year we had forty-five children in the Home. At the end of the year we had received into the Home and cared for, for a longer or shorter term, the phenomenal number of forty-five ad-

tor a longer or shorter term, the phenomenal number of forty-five additional, thus aggregating ninety children provided for during the year. The ever-recurrent questions, "How many children at a time?" and "How long do you keep them in the Home?" have become standard ones, and we shall never be surprised at their occupying a conspicuous place in the list of interrogations of future seekers for information. As to the first, it is not infrequently said to us, "Why, I thought you had forty-five or fifty a year or two ago." Certainly, we had, but in the intermediate time we have placed as many more in good private Christian homes, and still have the number, that has become almost tall-manical. homes, and still have the number that has become almost talismanic—
"forty-five" or fifty—left in the Home. Hence, it may be some time yet before we will have more in the Home at any one time than fifty.

Respecting the second question, "As to how long they will remain in the Home." As in the beginning, so answer we now—"Circumstances must determine." But more definitely now, than in the beginning of this work, may we define this contingency of circumstances. Our now almost six years' experience in this work has developed, relatively, a number of important facts, a prominent one of which is, that there are many good and worthy Christian people, who have not a child in their home, and are willing to take of these homeless little ones into their home and hearts, as their very own, one or more of these orphaned "little ones."

Such applications are not a few.

Mothers' Jewels Home, with its appurtenances, is worth at least \$35,000, and not a dollar of incumbrance on any part of it. Whatever of indebtedness existing is sustained without any lien on the property, realty or personal. The remaining debt on the dormitory is about \$1,000 to the original contractor, Mr. Morgan, and will doubtless be paid early

At the opening of the year, our prospects, in a material sense, were not encouraging. We were in the midst of the season, and its forecast compassed as to farm and garden results. We raised but little—not quite enough—feed for our stock, making it an expensive year, despite the closest economy.

But the ending of this year, that began so inauspiciously, has at last diffused a halo of light that reaches from zenith to zenith of the retiring old and advancing new year, and instills with new confidence all languishing hearts in this, so recently, burned and blighted area; and, instead of leanness, an abundant general crop assured, and the glad "Harvesthome" again celebrated.

All praise to the "Dear Father," who has moved the dial forward to normal verdure and beauty in this "goodly land."

BURWELL AND ISABELLA SPURLOCK, Superintendents.

# BUREAU FOR DEACONESS WORK.

The Bureau for Deaconess Work has now more or less direct care for over one hundred and fifty workers, either in preparation for, or in actual service; a National Training-school for Missionaries and Deaconesses; a Hospital; thirteen large Deaconess Homes, containing from three to sixteen workers, in Grand Rapids, Baltimore, Buffalo, Brooklyn, Cleveland, Des Moines, Detroit, Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Syracuse, San

Francisco, Salt Lake City, and Washington; Homes of two workers each in Los Angeles and Mt. Carmel, Pa.; and single deaconesses at Knox-ville, Camden, and San Antonio, Texas; Ogden, Provo, and Logan, Utah; an Orphanage at Urbana, Illinois, containing twenty-five children; and a Summer Rest Home at Ocean Grove. To care for this great amount of work, which is becoming a large part of the work of the Society, is the province of the Deaconess Bureau, composed of two representatives from each place where a Home is located; an Advisory Council of seven gentlemen; a Superintendent of Deaconess Work, who is President of the National Training-school, and whose work is necessarily mostly at Washington; a Secretary and an Assistant Secretary.7 The general direction of the work rests heavily upon the two last-named officers. [The actual expenses of the Bureau have been very small, aggregating for an entire year much less than the sum expended on the smallest single Home in any Bureau of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. These facts are stated with the purpose of making plain that, in the deaconess work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, a great work has been accomplished with a very small expense to the Society. The amount of property in Deaconess Homes under the care of the Woman's Home Missionary Society is \$143,900, all of which has been acquired since 1890.

During the year, Miss Wells, who had been sent to care for the work at Portland, Oregon, was prostrated by severe illness, and has since left Portland, which at present has no deaconess work. During the summer a deaconess from Washington was sent to the mining regions of Penngospel ministration. The work has greatly grown in interest, and two deaconesses are now assigned to Mt. Carmel, in this region.

During October a Deaconess Home was opened in Los Angeles, the

largest city in Southern California. This Home has an outlook full of promise, one year's rent being paid in advance by an "elect lady."

In 1892 a deaconess was sent from Washington to open deaconess work in Des Moines, lowa. Later this work changed to the independent plan, and has so continued until the last session of Conference, when the Board of Management, with the approval of the Conference Board, again asked to work in connection with the Woman's Home Missionary Society. We cordially welcome back this former sister to our roll of Homes.

During the past year the Cleveland Home has had an additional small house given it, and the Baltimore Home has freed itself from debt.

The Deaconess Rest Home, at Ocean Grove, New Jersey, kept open for three months during the summer, was a successful new departure. A large house was hired for \$300, two deaconesses from Washington put in charge, and over fifty deaconesses and missionaries secured needed rest and change. The entire expenses-\$1,145.29-were met through the contributions of friends and the small payments for board. Both the General Committee on Rest Homes and the Local Committee at Ocean Grove deserve special recognition for their faithful services. To Mrs. Anna Kent especial acknowledgment is due.

The Deaconess Convention held at Ocean Grove in July was a noteworthy meeting, and the results of its deliberations, as heretofore, were most helpful to the general work. I take occasion to have printed here recommendations that were there made that will be valuable in the

practical workings of all Homes:
"I. Formal report of the work of each deaconess must be submitted annually to the Deaconess Board of the Conference within whose bounds she is employed, and in the absence of such report she shall not be recommended for continuance in office. [a] The report of deaconesses in Homes shall be submitted by the Superintendent of the Homes. [b] The report of deaconesses not in Homes shall be submitted by the pastors of the Churches with which they are severally connected.

"2. The two years' probation shall be counted from the time of entrance upon actual service, under the provisions of the Discipline.

"3. It is recommended that each deaconess hold her Church membership in some Church of the Conference within whose bounds she may be employed in deaconess work.

"4. The certificate of a deaconess shall be issued by the Deaconess Board of the Conference within whose bounds she completes her term of

probation.

"5. As to the relation of deaconesses, licensed or probationary, who for the purpose of obtaining better preparation enter hospitals not connected with our Homes, it is recommended that such questions be left

to the several Conference Boards."

The last General Conference gave a special sanction to our deaconess work, and in its legislation the Woman's Home Missionary Society was fully consulted. We recognize the loyal and efficient aid given us at the General Conference by certain members of our Advisory Council, and desire that they shall have the appreciation of our Society. This brings us to the sad recollection that one member of our Advisory Council, Rev. Dr. William Swindells, of Philadelphia, rests from his labors. Truly, "his works do follow him." In him, as in Rev. Dr. Merritt Hulburd, whose sudden death has recently so startled and made sorrowful the Church, the Woman's Home Missionary Society has sustained the great

loss of wise, loyal counselors, and strong, able defenders.

As valuable aids in the strengthening of the cause, we call attention to the helpfulness of the Conference Secretaries of Deaconess Work, and the Training-school Managers. To the loyal co-operation of many workers is due the great success of this branch of our Society. Yet much remains undone. There should be leaflets, papers, closer correspondence with Homes, and a supply and use of literature that is not yet had. Gifts and bequests could be secured, if this cause could be brought intimately to the knowledge of the people. It may be proper here to state that eighty books from the library of Rev. George C. Bancroft and Caroline J. Bancroft were lately presented to the Lucy Webb Hayes Deaconess Home. Other contributions of books are greatly needed to enlarge the library. In truth, the work of the Deaconess Bureau is becoming too multitudinous and weighty for one Secretary to have charge of, even though aided by so efficient and faithful an assistant as Mrs. D. A. Minard. Dr. Ames, in whom we place such trust and confidence, is largely engrossed by his weighty duties at Washington as President of our National Training-school and Deaconess Home. It is not practicable for him to enter the field to the necessary extent as General Superintendent, while his duties absorb so much of his time and strength at Washington. We had hoped that he might render us sufficient outside assistance to effectively supply this work, but the great and growing institution under his care requires all his energies.

Home mission-work in cities is now largely prosecuted through our deaconesses, and about one-third of the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society is so done. Some other way must be found to care for this great cause. It must constantly be borne in mind that the large part of the support of our Deaconess Homes comes outside of, and in addition to, what is raised by our Auxiliaries. Instead of taking money from our other work, our deaconess work brings to us outside money to enable us to fulfill our mission to reach the needy and destitute of our own land. If we but courageously and wisely accept our present opportunities, we can meet our full responsibilities in the cities of our land.

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The year which has passed has been one of prosperity and harmony. The instructors, the most of whom have given their services gratuitously, could not have been more assiduous in their labors or efficient in their teaching had they been salaried professors.

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In May, eight students were graduated. Of these, seven are in the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, one returning to us as

a post-graduate.

The Senior Class of this year will number eight, all of whom are pledged to enter the active service of the Society, six of them as deacon-

esses. The class is one of unusual ability.

During the summer, the students of the school were, many of them, at work in various places; two of them having had charge of the Deaconess Rest Home in Ocean Grove. Two of the graduates of last year

have broken ground amongst the mining population of Pennsylvania, in a needy and much-neglected neighborhood, and there is a bright prospect of a new Deaconess Home being founded as the result of their

labors

The present Junior Class is the largest in our history. Rooms have been rented in the neighborhood of the Home to accommodate the additional students, and thus we meet the need at present; but a new building is urgently demanded. It will be impossible either to accommodate more students than we are now looking for in our present dining-room and lecture-rooms, or to enlarge these. Unless a new building is furnished, our capacity to receive students will have reached its extreme limit.

The number of special and day students pursuing partial courses is also larger. When all whom we are expecting shall have come, the number of inmates and day scholars will aggregate fifty, which is far in

advance of any previous year.

The applications for admission have been more numerous than ever before. Regard to our capacity to accommodate, desire to receive such as will be likely to enter the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and a higher standard of qualifications, have made the task of selection onerous. I renew my request of last year that the Committees in the various Conference Auxiliaries shall co-operate with me in seeking out desirable students, thus diminishing my responsibility, and securing the Society against loss of time in the education of those who will not enter its service. Some of the Committee have rendered me valuable

aid, and greatly lightened my labors.

The course of instruction has been made more complete by the addition of new studies. Our course now includes thorough and systematic Bible-study; Church History and Doctrines; knowledge of Nursing, Hygiene, and Sanitation; Kindergarten Methods; Domestic Science; Principles of Business; Vocal Music; Physical Culture and Expression; Parliamentary Procedure; to which have been added Ethics and Sociology. The special perils of the Order of Deaconesses have always lain in the direction of narrowness and asceticism. It is our design to counteract this tendency by a training which shall be broad and practical, as well as wholesome and spiritual.

The division of the school into Junior and Senior Classes has already proven its wisdom by the greater thoroughness of instruction made possi-

Sibley Hospital has been doing beneficent work. Over one hundred Sibley Hospital has been doing beneficent work. Over one hundred and sixty patients have been treated. More than eighty critical operations have been performed, with nearly uniform success. The Medical Staff have gratuitously given their services, not only by care of the ill, but by medical lectures in the school. To students who contemplate becoming nurse deaconesses, large facilities will be given for training.

I would remind the Society again that our School and Hospital are National, not local institutions. Students come from all parts of the Union, and go out from us to Deaconess Homes scattered over the country. The benefits of the School and Hospital do not inure to the advantage of Washington only and the burdens should not be devolved.

advantage of Washington only, and the burdens should not be devolved on it. Liberality in appropriations would not only be appreciated, but is in accordance with strict justice.

Whilst expressing my cordial thanks to all the officers and instructors of the institution, special mention is due to our Preceptress, to whose influence the school is so deeply indebted for the order, harmony, and

spiritual tone which make it so home-like and happy.

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#### Aldrich Memorial Home.

401 Lyon Street, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Mrs. W. J. Aldrich, Superintendent.

The Aldrich Memorial Home is probably the most beautiful Home for Deaconesses in the United States, and was erected for the special use to which it was dedicated. The six deaconesses in this Home make a most commendable showing in their statistical report. It must be, as the Superintendent says in her letter accompanying the report, "We are hard at work."

#### Baltimore.

708 West Lombard Street.

Miss Annie Leidigh, Superintendent.

Baltimore Deaconess Home was opened in February, 1892; has property valued at \$8,000, with nine deaconesses in active service. The Secretary writes that the work is growing in favor, and that the finances are on a settled basis. Each Presiding Elder District is assessed for the support of the work through the Auxiliaries of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. The amount received this year will exceed the assessment. We would commend this plan to other Boards of Management. Usual lines of deaconess work are in operation. A recent donation of five hundred dollars is the beginning of a permanent Sick Fund.

# Brooklyn.

1034 Bedford Avenue.

The New York East Conference Home is prosperous and well-managed. Thirteen deaconesses and students in the Training-school comprise the family. The Brooklyn Church Society has decided to provide a large house for the Training-school and Deaconess Home that will greatly advance the work. Dr. W. W. Clark, Chairman of the Conference Board of Deaconesses, who gives much time and thought to the work, writes: "Our deaconesses and probationers are all engaged in parish work in our down-town Churches, which are essentially "home missions." In one we have a kindergarten, and in another an Italian class.

#### Buffalo.

2978 Main Street.

Miss E. A. SMITH, Superintendent.

The Buffalo Deaconess Home of Genesee Conference has a fine stone house, which, with its furnishings, is valued at \$14,000. A Deaconess Settlement is one of the most interesting features of the Home—three deaconesses making a home-life in the heart of the Polish and Italian quarters, which is an object-lesson to the people. A new work, begun this year, is a "Travelers' Aid Work"—one deaconess giving her entire time to assisting women arriving in the city, defenseless and alone. In this way the depots are rid of a great evil that exists in most of our large cities, and young girls and women are kept from the pitfalls of sin. Evangelistic work throughout the Conference is an important factor in connection with this Home. The finances are in a most encouraging condition.

#### Clev'eland.

268 Woodland Avenue.

Miss E. A. McIllmoyl, Superintendent.

Cleveland Deaconess Home was opened in April, 1890, and possesses a fine new house, valued at \$10,000, furnishing a Home for eleven deaconesses. An Industrial House has been recently opened that is to be devoted to industrial, educational, and evangelistic work. The Superintendent writes that the regular work, in connection with the Churches, is becoming more varied in its character and wider in its scope. The Board of Managers have a plan to raise an Endowment Fund that will place the work upon a secure financial footing.

# Detroit.

53 Elizabeth Street, West.

Miss LUCRETIA A. GADDIS, Superintendent.

The Deaconess Home in Detroit, the oldest in connection with this Society, was opened in January, 1889. It stands upon a secure basis, the Auxiliaries of the Society contributing generously toward its support. An Auxiliary in the country provided homes for sixty-two children during two weeks of the summer. A Deaconess Settlement is maintained in the midst of a vast Polish population. Thirteen deaconesses are in this Home, engaged in nursing the sick, aiding pastors, conducting mothers' meetings, sewing-schools, and relief-work.

#### Des Moines.

1115 West Ninth Street.

Miss ELIZABETH HUMPHREY, Superintendent.

The Des Moines Deaconess Home originated in the Woman's Home Missionary Society. A deaconess was sent from the Lucy Webb Hayes Deaconess Home to inaugurate the work, and for a year or more the work remained in the care of the Society. It was then changed to the independent plan of maintenance, and has remained so until within the last month. For the last year, many friends of the Home have desired to ally with the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and at the last Conference the change was accomplished. The Upper Iowa Conference svoted to the Home \$150 in supplies; and the Northwest Iowa Conference, \$200. It is believed that this Home, in its alliance with the Woman's Home Missionary Society, will furnish a center for the sympathies, the assistance, and training of those interested in deaconess work in the Northwest. The Home reports more than 2,500 calls made during the year. It has a property worth \$2,500.

### Knoxville.

517 Henly Street.

Miss RHODA E. SIGLER, Superintendent.

At Knoxville, Tennessee, Sister Rhoda, our one deaconess, lives in a pleasant Home, with her mission helper. She has now the hearts of the people, and is developing original lines of deaconess work, such as founding a library and reading-room for firemen, a School of Science and Art for Chlidren, while pursuing the regular lines of deaconess work. Sister Rhoda asks the united prayers of the Convention for the work in

Knoxville. An additional work among children and working-women is just starting, and another deaconess is to assist in this work.

#### Mt. Carmel.

At Mt. Carmel, Pennsylvania, deaconess-work was opened in June, As this is in the mining regions of the State, the opportunities for soulsaving and relief-work are unnumbered. So far, the work has developed by the stationing of Miss Schwartz at Mt. Carmel, and Miss Bartolet at Shamokin, both being graduates of the last class at the National Training-school.

# Philadelphia.

611 Vine Street.

Mrs. E. TURNEY, Superintendent.

The work here is closely allied with the work at the Immigrant Home, one of the deaconesses being in charge at that Home. A lunchroom for working-girls is maintained, and a praise service is conducted at the lunch-hour by the young women of the Woman's Home Missionary Society Circles. A successful fresh-air work is prosecuted during the summer, giving strength and relief to hundreds.

### Pittsburg.

2000 Fifth Avenue.

Miss L. E. EYLER, Superintendent.

The work in Pittsburg is in a flourishing condition. The usual lines of deaconess service are in effective operation. There are at present eight deaconesses connected with the Home. The finances were never in better condition. A beautiful chapel, recently dedicated at Gozzans Hill, is the result of work begun by the deaconesses.

#### Syracuse.

1519 Grape Street.

Miss SARA M. BANTA, Superintendent.

The Syracuse Deaconess Home was opened in the fall of 1890. This work is located in a commodious house, which the generous Christian owners purpose shall be used for deaconess work to the end of time. Evangelistic services, mission-schools, and relief-work are conducted here. A nurse-deaconess is greatly needed.

#### San Antonio, Texas.

Miss Rose A. McLennan, a nurse-deaconess, is holding classes for the instruction of colored girls in nursing.

#### San Francisco.

315 Castro Street.

Mrs. H. IDA BENSON, Superintendent.

The San Francisco Deaconess Home was organized in 1891, and, although in 1893 it was temporarily closed because of a contagious disease, the work is now most prosperous, and is growing. A training-school was opened in 1895. A Deaconess Settlement has also been maintained during the last year in a house furnished by a generous friend of the cause. Special work is conducted in the prisons and among the sailors.

# Salt Lake City.

Miss Spence, Superintendent.

The Davis Deaconess Home was opened last year in "Davis Hall." This Home is free from indebtedness, and quite a sum has been raised and expended in repairs. Four deaconesses comprise the family. In the magnitude of the unusual difficulties to be overcome in the rescue of girls and women from the evil effects of Mormonism, there is great need of the faithful, persistent service of the deaconesses.

# Ogden.

Miss Randall is continuing her faithful services, to the contentment of pastor and people.

#### Provo.

#### Mission and Deaconess Home.

The missionary here does deaconess work on deaconess terms. She is a convert from Mormonism, and is wise and earnest in her work.

# Logan.

Mrs. Rose Wheeler writes from Logan of the fruitful field she finds for deaconess work in a city of six thousand souls, with less than three hundred Gentiles. Logan is one of the four Temple-towns, and consequently one of the strongholds of Mormonism.

# Urbana, Illinois.

Mrs. Bowden, Deaconess.

Mrs. F. C. Woodruff, Matron of Orphanage.

Mr. F. C. WOODRUFF, Farmer.

The Cunningham Deaconess Home and Orphanage at Urbana, Illinois, is the gift of Judge and Mrs. J. O. Cunningham, and valued at \$15,000. Twenty-five children have been under its sheltering care, and thirteen are at the present time in the Home. The first year closed with no outstanding debrs, and some money in the treasury. Great good will result from this noble charity.

# Wilmington.

829 Tatnall Street.

Miss WATKINS, Deaconess.

The Wilmington Deaconess Home was formally opened on June 24, 1896. The work was begun most auspiciously in October, 1895, and is rapidly gaining the confidence of pastors and people.

# Deaconess Rest Home, Ocean Grove, N. J. .

Open for guests from July 1st to September 1st. Entertained representatives from ten Deaconess Homes, beside missionaries and other Christian workers. Altogether, fifty Christian women shared its hospitality.

Running expenses from June 15th to September 15th\$	400	00
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The deaconesses who spent a part of their vacation at this Rest Home came from the Homes of the following-named cities: San Francisco, Syracuse, Pittsburg, Buffalo, Wilmington, Baltimore, Brooklyn, Cleveland, Philadelphia, and New York.

Mrs. Anna Kent, Chairman and Treasurer of Local Committee, has

furnished the above facts.

At the last meeting of the General Board of Managers, at Springfield, Illinois, the Bureau of Deaconess Work passed the following recommendation, as a suggestion to all Homes connected with the Woman's Home Missionary Society:

As the work has progressed, it is easier to obtain capable, consecrated women as deaconesses, and the instruction that they are given

during their years of training is in itself a gift of value. In view of this fact, it is

"Recommended, Hereafter, no allowance shall be paid to those who enter any Deaconess Home of the Woman's Home Missionary Society

during the two years of training."

Also, while as yet we have only a Rest Home for summer recuperation, and not for a permanent, all-the-year residence, yet the time is coming when such a Home will be needed by the Home Missionary Society. We are earnestly praying that men or women of means will have their attention and their sympathy so drawn to this need that either by gift or bequest we shall obtain property that can be used for a "Home of Evening Rest," as the Germans call it, or a Rest Home for our aged and infirm workers, as it shall be needed in the future. In view of this contingency, the following resolution was adopted as By-laws by the General Board of Managers:

I. No promise of life-support shall be made to those who enter upon the work after the age of forty years, or to those who shall have given less than eight years of efficient, consecutive service, as deaconesses, under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society; the eight years

of service not to include the two years of training.

2. No promise of life-support shall be made to those who shall be unwilling to enter the Rest Home at the close of their active service.

3. Any such deaconess may be admitted to the Rest Home on the payment for her of \$200 by the Home of which she has been a member, or by herself, or her friends.

The record of work in this department is well worth study.

It is with thanks to God for his goodness, with faith and courage looking to his future guiding-hand, that the report of the Deaconess Bureau of the Woman's Home Missionary Society for the past year is JANE BANCROFT ROBINSON, Secretary. AMANDA D. MINARD, Ass't Secretary. submitted.

# BUREAU FOR ORIENTALS.

As the largest numbers of Chinese in America have settled on the Pacific Coast, the bulk of evangelizing them must be done here. And as no city in America has as many of these people as San Francisco, so the principal work must be done here.

Cruel and hasty legislation on the part of America has embittered the minds of these people, both here and in China: therefore they are more or less hostile to our religion, and slowly impressed by our teach-

With so small an appropriation as \$1,800 per year for expenditure in San Francisco, the Executive Board can not do all it would like to do.

There has been no change in the work for the last year; about fifteen girls in the Chinese Home, and thirty-five pupils in the day-school. The matron, whom we pay thirty dollars per month, has her hands full with the care of her family of fifteen girls, some of whom are apt to be sick, and need a nurse's care. Such is the case now; viz., a lame girl came to the mission about two years ago, and has been having treatment, she has improved, and, although now on crutches, will soon be able to go without them. She is a very sweet-spirited Christian girl. I saw her, a few nights ago, preparing for bed, with a crutch under each arm and a heavy weight in each hand, thus acting for the time being as her own pures. weight in each hand, thus acting, for the time being, as her own nurse. A year ago I told you, through the Annual Minutes, of the little girl whose mother sold her when only ten months old. She is now with us, and among the leaflets of this Society you will find a short history of and among the leanets of this Society you will find a short history of her life. Little Ah Saw belongs to us—to you—to train for future usefulness. Another girl mentioned in last year's report, by name Ah Tsoie, was our interpreter for house-to-house visitor; and was married, a few weeks' ago, to a Christian, who was allowed to take his bride home with him, to assist him in his duties as a cook.

The children in the day-school are made up of those from Christian homes, and some from idol-worshipers. The difference in the general

appearance of the two is noted. The unkept-looking child comes from the heathen family; but through these we have access to the parents, and

they are sometimes led to forsake their idols, and worship the true God.

The presence of these strangers in our midst has suggested to many

Christians the question, "What can we do for them?"

We send missionaries to China, while we neglect the Chinese at our

back-door.

Visiting and distributing literature among these people can be done with very little expense, and ought not to be neglected if we expect to convert the heathen in America. Boycotts, persecutions, and hard times in California have scattered them abroad, till now there is scarcely a town

or city in our country where the Chinese have not settled.

The work of this Bureau has been presented at the Southern California Woman's Home Missionary Society Anniversary; also, at the Oregon Conference. At both places it was well received. Let us take courage, and pray for new interest in the spiritual and temporal needs of these Oriental people upon our Western shores.

#### Work for Orientals in Southern California.

Mrs. E. W. Caswell writes: "The work in San Diego has been done by Mrs. F. S. Turk. She visited from house to house, and had a very flourishing Sunday-school besides. I think as good missionary work as is done anywhere in China has been done by her in Chinatown in as is done anywhere in China has been done by her in Chinatown in San Diego. Many of the women and children whom she had taught have gone back to China to carry the glad tidings. We employed Mrs. T. F. Davis to work in Chinatown in Los Angeles last January. Mrs. Davis had been a number of years in China, learning the Cantonese dialect that is spoken by all the Chinese upon this coast, and is admirably fitted to do this work. She teaches the women and children, prays and talks to them about Jesus, and has already been the means of one woman's

conversion—the first Chinese woman ever converted in Los Angeles.

This woman, Mrs. Low Yen, as soon as converted, began to go about among her friends to tell them what Jesus had done for her soul—

herself a real missionary.

We expect to employ Mrs. Davis the coming year, and Mrs. Vinsel, of San Diego, who will take the place of Mrs. Turk, who has gone East. We can not estimate the good done in our heathen "Chinatowns in California by these devoted missionaries."

# Japanese Woman's Home.

Miss Yamada, missionary for Japanese woman's work, reports as follows: "Thirty-one women have found shelter in the Home during the past year. There have been nine conversions; five received baptism. Eighty-five people were helped by our women's work during the year; thirty of them are Christians; eleven women went back to Japan; three went on to schools in the East; one to Wesleyan University in Ohio; one to medical school in Cleveland; one to hospital in New York; four to work at other places. The present number of members in our Church is about ten women.

Collection for the Church or for good purposes is about one hundred dollars, from women only. There is a Sunday-school class for women, and a Saturday-school class for children.

About five hundred visits have been made, and six unfortunate women helped. The Church services have been very beneficial.'

MRS. L. P. WILLIAMS. Secretary.

# BUREAU FOR MISSION SUPPLIES.

How wondrously we have been led, in helpfulness and harmony, in this department! Owing to some causes, we were left with a number of appeals unsupplied when the spring came; but by perseverance, all were supplied before the new year's work came on. Six hundred and fifty appeals have been answered with the helpful barrels—these have been for ministers' families; one hundred or more barrels have gone to our Industrial Homes and Schools.

When the cry came from the people of Oklahoma, we were ready with our gifts; much suffering and want being relieved. We can not realize what failure of crops, hot winds, and drought means to these heroic souls. One writes: "We have been here eleven years—God only knows our privations!—with but two prosperous years in all that time. The last three years there has been total failure of crops. At my husband's last quarterly-meeting, he received fifty cents in money. Can vou imagine how discouraging this is-winter coming on; no flour, no you imagine how discouraging this is—winter coming on; no flour, no fuel; a large family? How does the mother feel? Just a little meat and a little corn is what we have to-day; but we will not complain. God is good. We have not really suffered. I wish you could see the average preacher's table spread. We could not stay here, but for you. I would rather you could be present at a barrel-opening, to see the delight of the little ones at the appearance of a dress or coat or hat, or the sight of a pair of new shoes. 'O, I can go to Sunday-school now; can't I?' You who have plenty, will never know what this means to us. God bless the Woman's Home Missionary Society!'

My sisters, can we afford to fail in this good work while these re-

main?

The supplies sent out are good, many valuable. Real sacrifice and service go out with them. Those who contributed to the ten fur-coats for Dakota, never did a better work. May others have a like blessing when needed! Hear the Savior say: "I was hungry, and ye fed me; naked, and ye clothed me!"

MRS. JAMES DALE, Secretary.

# BUREAU FOR YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

Mrs. Samuel Hazlett, the newly-elected Secretary of the Bureau for Young People's Work, says: [Editor] "We read in ancient history how God called youth to his aid, and of their obedience and faithfulness. The nrst Christian martyr was a young man. Farther on, we read of the mother who gave her son to the service of God, of his acceptance by the great Creator, of the call in the night, and of Samuel's reply; and all down through past ages we read of the devotion, self-sacrifice, and greatness of young people, who have willingly laid down their lives for the good of humanity, for the uplifting of the poor and degraded, and for the cause of Christ. To-day God is calling the young people of our country to array themselves in line for the purpose of stamping out sin in all its forms, to win their way into the hearts of the unconverted heathen in our land by kind words and deeds, and, with the weapons of prayer and praise, bring them to the feet of the Savior of men. They are forming themselves into companies, called Circles or Bands, with earnest Christian leaders, in order to do intelligent and effective work. The great Captain of all these companies is our Lord Jesus Christ. Already they claim a membership of thousands but to-day there should be one million of the young people of our Methodist Churches rising up, and shouting, 'America for Christ!' Let all the young people of our Sunday-schools and Epworth League make answer, 'Here am I!'"

Fourteen years have passed since the Secretary of the Bureau of Young People's Work entered into the duties and obligations of this

Association.

In so far as one may pass upon her own record, these duties have

been met faithfully and conscientiously.

In these years, "Queen Esther Circles," "Lucy Hayes Bands," and "Mothers' Jewels" have become thoroughly established as divisions of this Bureau. The Church is conversant with them. "Children's Home Missions" is a reality; and leaflets, in care of one thoroughly competent to write and edit publications for the little ones, may now be obtained in New York and Cincinnati.

Many Conferences have each a Superintendent of Young People's Work, in response to continued effort on the part of the Secretary.

The conviction grows with increasing intensity that, in the future.

my work must lie within my own home, city, and Church.

Expressing regret for severing pleasant relations with Christian women, and best wishes for the success of a Society whose work is known MARY B. INGHAM, Secretary. throughout our land,

# BUREAU FOR LOCAL MISSIONARY WORK.

The report of the Bureau of Local Work is as follows: The North Indiana Conference reports Local Work done by ten Auxiliaries. Kingstown reports thirty visits made, and \$65.30 worth of supplies used among the poor. Logansport, Market Street Church, reports 242 visits, and \$36 worth of supplies used; and Wheatland Street Church reports 70 visits, and \$21.26 worth of supplies furnished to the poor. Middletown reports 162 visits, 71 leaflets distributed, 31 children brought to Sunday-school, and 12 persons brought into the Church. The supplies furnished were valued at \$42. Milford reports the distribution of 221 leaflets; 8 children sent to day-school, and the same number sent to Sabbath-school; and 10 persons brought into the Church; the supplies were valued at \$59.20. Muncie reports 45 visits, and supplies furnished to the value of \$41.34. New Castle reports visits, 110; supplies used, \$61.75. Richmond, Grace Church, reports 243 visits, 210 religious papers distributed, and supplies furnished valued at \$121.50. Richmond, First Church, reports 659 visits, and employment found for nine persons. Winchester reports 188 visits, 36 Bible-readings given, 62 garments distributed, and other supplies valued at \$9. This work is all done by committees, no missionary being employed in the Conference.

West Wisconsin Conference. Eau Claire, Lake Street Auxiliary, reports cash used among the poor to the value of \$38.20; Prairie Du Sac reports cash and supplies amounting to \$140; Hammond Auxiliary, \$26.85; and Augusta, \$8; making a total of \$213.05. Most of these funds were supplied by the generous gifts of gentlemen who made committees

brought into the Church, 3; money expended, \$65.53. Corry furnished \$3 worth of supplies, and Petrolia used \$24.40.

The Central Alabama Conference reports, on one charge, 150 visits made; religious services conducted, children brought to Sunday-school and day-school, persons helped to employment, and \$7 worth of supplies

distributed.

Wilmington Conference reports work done to the amount of \$682.63.

The city of Newark, New Jersey, employs two missionaries, Mrs. Florence D. Watson and Miss Lowe. These missionaries report 4,870 visits made, 555 leaflets distributed, 234 meetings conducted, 115 pairs of shoes and 472 other garments distributed, 182 children brought into the Junior League, 336 children brought into Sunday-school, and 20 persons brought into the Church. The supplies used were valued at \$25, and money was used amounting to \$68.25. This work is supported by the co-operation of several Auxiliaries in Newark.

Gouverneur, New York, Northern New York Conference, makes the following report:

following report:

"We appointed a Superintendent of Local Work in our Auxiliary, and as we did not feel able to employ a missionary, the President appointed four godly women to assist the Superintendent. They go from house to house among the poorer families. . . . The Church furnishes the funds necessary to carry on the work. In nine months, three visitors have made 127 calls, distributed 118 garments and a large number of shoes, and have given food to 41 families. They have expended in this work, \$60.75. We can not estimate the good that has been done; eternity

alone will reveal that."

I have a very interesting report of a work being carried on in Baltimore, Md. The persons connected with the movement are among the best citizens of Baltimore. Professor Hartman, who makes the report at the request of the ladies, is Senior Professor of Greek and Latin in the

Woman's College of Baltimore. Professor of Greek and Latin in the Woman's College of Baltimore. Professor Hartman says:

"Our out-door work is of two kinds—with the Gospel Wagon, and preaching from the steps of the Mission-school on Parkin Street. This latter work is unique. The street consists of four blocks of four-story tenement-houses, in a quiet situation; so that as one speaks from the steps, the people can hear while sitting at their windows or on the front steps.

"The Gospel Wagon is pulled by hand, and taken where we can find the largest crowds of men and women.

'Number of services (out-door) at the Mission......24 "Number of services with Gospel Wagon......51 "Number of services in-doors at the Mission..................15

character, 459. Amount of money spent on mission work, \$100."
MRS. D. L. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

# BUREAU FOR READING CIRCLE.

A retrospect of the work accomplished for the year "'96" is a pleasant and inspiring task. From the time the money was donated for the new banner, on to the last leaflet written by Mrs. Frost, our work has been steady and prosperous. A surprising interest in new work is evident from the fact that eighteen Conference Secretaries have been appointed in the past year. One of these, Mrs. Isaac Stephens, of Cincinnati Conference, reports 443 books read. Also, Mrs. W. C. Madison, of Denver, Colo., has done valuable work along the line of organization. The beautiful new banner will remain in the keeping of Mrs. T. P. Frost, of Baltimore Conference. Her record of more than five hundred mem-

of Baltimore Conference. Her record of more than five hundred members has never been excelled in the history of our work. She has written a valuable leaflet, "A Plan for Organizing," that should be in the hands of every earnest missionary woman.

The management of our Bureau has led the patrons to expect a new book each year. A new departure is given in a study of "Parliamentary Law and Practice," a brief manual, by Mrs. Lillian Cole Bethel, of Columbus, Ohio. A book on New Mexico has been recommended, and has received great praise, as it contributes to a proper estimation of national character, and the mission needs of this part of our Commonwealth. Lastly, and best of all, a systematic study of the Scriptures. To Him who holdeth the destiny of nations, we would come, and onen our intelwho holdeth the destiny of nations, we would come, and open our intellects, that he may fill them with his wisdom; and our hearts, that he may

flood them with his love.

On behalf of the Society, I would extend to the manager of the Cincinnati Regalia Company, Charles E. Barnes, who manufactured our banner, and the Henderson-Krebs Company, who lithographed our new diplomas, our grateful thanks for special rates and a kindly interest, and to all who have contributed to the success of our work.

Mrs. J. L. Trisler, Secretary.

# BUREAU FOR SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

The work done during the past year by the Bureau of Systematic Beneficence has been considerable. About seventy-five Conference Secretaries have been invited, by letter, to plan their own method of work in their respective Conferences, and make suggestions as to how it

should be prosecuted. Responses from many of these Secretaries show a

deep interest in the subject, which gives assurance of success.

Vermont seems to have been in the lead. Early in the year, a bright paper was presented at their Annual Meeting, which awakened much enthusiasm on the subject.

Tennessee says she will do anything in her power to help this de-

partment along.

Pennsylvania responds: "I carried your letter to a meeting of our Conference Board, and we made arrangements to have the subject brought

before our Annual Meeting."

Kochester, N. Y., repnes: "A large number of leaflets has been distributed, an interest has been aroused, and quite a good number are giving

the tenth.'

Immois and Wisconsin would like to be with us in the work. Iowa

is most hearty in its indorsement of this line of effort.

New England Southern devotes a certain sum for literature, and will see to it that leanets on "Systematic Beneficence" are included in their free distribution.

Cincinnati writes: 'At our District Meeting a Committee was appointed to secure the appointment of a lady in each Auxiliary who would present the subject, and secure the names of those who practice the

Bible-plan of giving.

Alabama responds in the spirit and self-sacrifice of the Master: "Our women who wash can't get more than twenty cents for a large wash, or one dollar a week to do housework, and the family to help support out of that; so you see the tenth is small. Our Society is small, but we are willing to give a tenth of our earnings.'

Indiana arranges for the presentation of the subject at the Annual

Meeting.

Cieveland says: "We have been giving the subject of 'Systematic Beneficence' a prominent place on the programs of our district and city meetings, and it has been generally discussed."

At the Annual Meeting of the New England Conference, within

whose limits this matter is frequently presented, the following resolution

was presented and passed with enthusiasm:
"Whereas, The philanthropic enterprises of the Church, and our own Woman's Home Missionary Society among them, demand a largely-increased revenue to meet its present obligations, and for the prosecution of its work; and

"WHEREAS, We believe that the 'Bible-plan of Systematic Benefi-

cence, if adopted and practiced, will meet all these obligations; therefore, "Resolved, That we will co-operate with the Bureau of Systematic Beneficence, of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, in its efforts to awaken the Church to its high duty and gracious privilege in this regard, looking forward, with calm trust and joyful confidence, to the time when all the tithes of God's people shall be brought into his storehouse, and from the windows of heaven, opening at his Word, blessings shall fall more than we have room to receive. And then shall our home field become a delightsome land, and all nations shall call us blessed." MRS. JAMES MATHER, Secretary.

# REPORTS

OF

# Conference Corresponding Secretaries.

# BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

Baltimore Conference comes with tidings of joy. Our work has broadened in every way during the past year. The Lord has greatly owned and blessed our labors. "We would exalt him and bless his holy name." We have paid the salary of Miss Agnes Sowle, our missionary to Alaska; we have supported six beneficiaries in the Home at Unalaska, two beneficiaries in the Ritter Home, two beneficiaries in the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school, and partly cared for one at Watts de Peyster. We have given \$25 toward the establishment of our little paper, contributed to the furnishing of our room at the headquarters in New York, aided largely in the work of the Deaconess Rest Home at Ocean Grove, and have paid a larger amount into the General Fund than last year. In addition to the above, our Deaconess Home in Baltimore has been most liberally supported, as have also the deaconess-work and Sibley Hospital in Washington, several thousands of dollars having come into our hands for these objects. We also report a large increase in value of supplies sent out. The total receipts for the Conference year are over \$10,000. Six industrial schools and kindergartens are conducted by the deaconesses in Baltimore. These schools are in the midst of a foreign population, one largely attended by the Jewish children. Both Catholics and Jews appreciate kindness to their children, and are eager for them to receive instruction.

The Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school and Deaconess Home in Washington, under the able direction of Rev. A. H. Ames, D. D., is growing in interest, and we have been compelled to enlarge our borders by renting an adjoining building. The class is composed of young women eminently devoted to God. The deaconesses and students have been abundant in their labors in the Churches; they have conducted mission, industrial, kindergarten, and Sabbath-schools in the needy sections of the city, and have minstered daily to the sick, poor, and suffering.

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The work of the Society has been presented at Summit Grove, Emory Grove, and Washington Grove Camp-meetings. The Conference Anniversary was held at Broadway in Baltimore, and we were favored with the presence of Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff. At the Annual Meeting, held in Hamline Church, Washington, Rev. T. P. Frost, D. D., delivered a most earnest and scholarly address on "Why I believe in the Woman's Home Missionary Society," claiming the undivided attention of his hearers.

We rejoice to be again the banner Conference in receipts, and in amount of money in mite-boxes, as well as in Reading Circles. Our aim is to be and to do our best for the poor and the heathen everywhere, and to remember in "Whatsoever we do, in word or deed, to do all in the name of the Lord Jesus."

MRS. CLARA L. ROACH,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

# CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE.

California Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society reports progress, along all lines of work, during the past year. Much interest and enthusiasm have been manifested in the Chinese and Japanese work—the foreign mission-work on the Pacific Coast. Four Indian schools have been successfully maintained, and the Deaconess Home and Training-school have done good work. The visits of the President, Mrs. Fisk, and Mrs. Kent, last fall, were helpful and inspiring. Mrs. R. McLellan has recently been elected Conference Secretary.

# CENTRAL ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

I am sorry to have but a very meager report from our Conference Society this year, on account of the "hard times." Our membership is quite small, but we are anxious to do good work for the Woman's Home Missionary Society. I would like to organize a Reading Circle. Our preachers know very little about our work, and consequently are not much of a help to us.

MARY ELLEN SHEPHERD, Conference Corresponding Secretary.

### CENTRAL ILLINOIS CONFERENCE.

Central Illinois Conference has only four Auxiliaries within its bounds, and greatly needs to be awakened to the importance of home mission-work. No field would probably yield a more bountiful harvest in return for a generous seed-sowing. The Conference is imperfectly organized, and two years ago, through some misunderstanding, was reported unorganized, which caused confusion. One district has been organized during the year, and more intelligent work is being done. One Auxiliary has been disbanded, but the charter members have continued to pay dues. Aid has been given to Ritter Home and Stickney Home. The subscription-list for Woman's Home Missions has been increased largely in one Auxiliary. increased largely in one Auxiliary. (MISS) ELLA G. TAYLOR, Conference Corresponding Secretary.

# CENTRAL NEW YORK CONFERENCE.

Our highest ideals concerning the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society have not been fully realized during the past year. We have flagged where we should have pushed onward. Many times we have glanced backward, when our gaze should have been forward. Still, we have accomplished some things which afford us gratification. During the year we have organized six Auxiliaries, and to-day we record more members and more copies of Woman's Home Missions

than one year ago.

Two hundred dollars have been sent to our Jesse Lee Home in Alaska, and two beneficiaries have been supported there. One of these was supported by a Queen Esther Circle of Penn Yan. One Auxiliary supports a beneficiary in Stickney Home, and one in Ritter Home.

A large number of our Auxiliaries are coming to better understand, and hence are becoming more interested in, our Deaconess Home. Many have contributed to its support, and the Auxiliaries in Syracuse have been allowed the privilege of using half their membership dues for this work.

Five life members have been added during the year, and one honorary manager.

A growing interest is manifested in the mite-boxes, and \$167.39 have been gathered through them.

The most discouraging part of our work the past year has been the large decrease in number of children and young people in our Societies. In every instance, the cause of this has been want of leaders. The children are more than ready to work when they have efficient leadership and instruction. All the glow and intensity of their youthful zeal can be utilized at its best by earnest and enthusiastic leaders. Our doors, therefore, are wide open for mature Christian women, who will organize Societies among the young and inexperienced. The need is so great that every available person may put her hand to the work.

We are anxious that the coming year shall witness an activity unpar-

alleled in our history.

Mrs. W. A. Brownell. Conference Corresponding Secretary.

# CENTRAL OHIO CONFERENCE.

We took for our motto, at the beginning of the year, "An Auxiliary in every pastoral charge." It is needless to say we have not yet reached our goal, but our faces are still set in this direction. A personal appeal has been made to every pastor in the Conference, and while the immediate results are only eight new Auxiliaries, much sentiment has been made for the Woman's Home Missionary Society. We are now trying to secure the appointment of a Secretary in every charge to collect funds, distribute mite-boxes, and get subscribers to our paper, hoping it may

lead to permanent organization.

Our Conference and district meetings have been held, and were full of interest. We also had an excellent meeting, in union with the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, at the last session of our Annual Conference at Bellefontaine. At our May Conference Anniversary, we were fortunate in having with us Mrs. Chapman, who brought us cheering reports from Ritter Home, a Home in which the Central Ohio Conference feels a deep personal interest. Mrs. Potter gave us an instructive address upon the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in general. She spent several days in our Conference, speaking at different points, inspiring the workers and winning many new friends to the cause.

At our Conference meeting so many instructive papers were read that, at the suggestion of Mrs. Potter, a Bureau for Literature was created, by which these papers could be preserved and circulated throughout the Conference for district and Auxiliary meetings. The wisdom of this plan is already apparent; for type-written copies of several have

been sent out.

We have met all our pledges, supporting beneficiaries in Alaska, Haven, Ritter, Stickney, and Mothers' Jewels Homes.

The work of the Reading Circle, mite-boxes, and supplies is kept constantly before our women, each in the hands of an efficient Secretary. We have also appointed a Secretary to look after the interests in our Conference of the National Training-school at Washington.

For the coming year we have pledged our Special Fund largely to the building of the new Industrial School at Asheville, N. C.

The record of our year's work is made in figures; but who can measure its worth in the development of Christian character that has come to the women of the Central Ohio Conference? No woman can afford to neglect the work of this Society as a means of grace to her MRS. M. H. DAVIS, own spiritual life.

Conference Corresponding Secretary.

# CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE.

Another year has closed. As we wrote over the threshold at its beginning, "No retracing footsteps," we read upon the portal, now swinging shut behind us, the inscription, "Our very best year." Our success has not been phenomenal, but a steady, deepening, and broadening intelligent interest.

Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Clees, Mrs. Black, and Mrs. Chapman have greatly assisted the Secretary in the work of organizing and inspiring interest. Of the old Auxiliaries, one has been dropped, and one Campineeting Society failed to respond; almost all others have done better

than ever before.

On Altoona District, Eighth Avenue, Altoona, with fifty members, leads in thrift and devotion, contributing to Conference pledges and miteboxes, \$37. First Church, Altoona, recently organized, is a Society of much promise. Hollidaysburg, our latest born, with a small membership, puts out a helping hand to Ritter Home, pledging \$40 support for ship, puts out a helping hand to Ritter Home, pledging \$40 support for a girl. Bellefonte takes a new lease of life, with twenty new members, and better plans of work. Houtzdale has been quickened; and State College and Beech Creek, both new Auxiliaries, go into the fall and winter campaign with a consecrated purpose to succeed. Lewistown renews her vows, and gives promise of increased returns. Mount Union keeps its small taper steadily burning.

On Harrisburg District, Grace Church, Harrisburg, has kept up her record, with one hundred and three members, forty-two subscribers to Home Missions, and \$35 contributed to pledges. Ridge Avenue holds its own. Thirteenth Street, only two years old, shows the careful nursing it has received; while Carlisle, with \$24 Special Fund, has gone ahead

ing it has received; while Carlisle, with \$24 Special Fund, has gone ahead on all lines; and Chambersburg keeps up its dues, though bearing the burden of a new-church enterprise. Williamsport has Mulberry Street, with its example of a model monthly tea-meeting, and \$91 raised on pledges. It has 58 members and 34 subscribers to Home Missions. Queen Esther Circle contributes \$20 yearly to a beneficiary in the Training-school. Pine Street, with 50 members and 41 subscribers to Home Missions, also maintains a tea-meeting and sewing-circle, and gives \$20 to pledges. Grace is steadily growing in zeal and numbers. High Street, Third Street, and Fourth Street deserve honorable mention for good, earnest work. Milton is steadfast; Montoursville the same. Jersey Shore is growing, and Lock Haven faithful.

On Danville District, Sunbury is doing beautifully, and Berwick never better. The latter has raised \$48 on pledges. Shamokin is full of zeal in its new local work, with a deaconess in charge; and Mount Carmel, recently organized, has another of like character. These towns are in the coal regions, where there is great need of home missionary work. Ashland, near-by, has a promising young Auxiliary; and Hazleton has surpassed itself, with \$32 on pledges. Town Hill, Bloomingdale, Benton, and Hamline are Auxiliaries on circuits, which is a new departure, and promises to be a case of mutual benefit.

In supplies, there has been a decrease, simply because the need in

the West has been less; for the work of our Supply Secretary has been thorough, and her plans such as I would like to commend to every Secretary of Supplies.

Gratifying advance has been made in mite-box work, in Mothers' Jewels, and in Reading Circles. The Training-school interests have been well looked after by Mrs. Crawford, who has also rendered efficient service as Chairman of Committee on Deaconess Work. Two young women from Williamsport have completed the course at Washington, and are working acceptably within the bounds of our Conference. Two others,

from Sunbury, have recently been accepted, and promise to make faithful laborers in this field.

A self-denying Sunday-school class in Harrisburg maintained a

deaconess in that city for six months last winter.

We were favored, in August, with a two weeks' visit from Mrs. Chapman, of Ritter Home. She attended three camp-meetings and services at five churches, speaking to the great profit and delight of all, and

organized one Auxiliary.

Williamsport has justified her past reputation; for here, in March, we held our very best Anniversary—two of them; for we were given charge of a deaconess mass-meeting; and here, too, in September, at High Street Church, was held the best Annual Meeting we ever had, with sixty-three delegates and visitors in attendance, a thoroughly-good program, lovely hospitality, and Mrs. Beiler as speaker—the last being the best of all.

Mrs. A. W. Black, of Harrisburg, was elected President. Our former honored President, Mrs. Dr. Reed, resigned, being burdened with the interests of her husband's work in the college; she gracefully accepted the

First Vice-Presidency, and is still with us in heart and purpose.

Our new Treasurer this year, Miss Minnie Hursh, has proved a sure. Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson, treasure. Conference Corresponding Secretary.

# CINCINNATI CONFERENCE.

Who shall estimate the results of a year's work? We may give the number of Auxiliaries, Circles, and Bands; the number of papers taken; the amount of money raised,—but how shall we count the prayers, and say what influence has followed them, and how shall we count the anxious hours passed in careful consideration of the work and planning for its better prosecution? We are glad that our interests are in the hands of Him who takes cognizance, not alone of what we do, but what we would love to do.

One most encouraging feature of our work, this year, is the increasone most encouraging feature of our work, this year, is the increasing interest among our young people, twelve new Circles and Bands having been organized, and the young ladies and girls are most helpful and enthusiastic. Our Annual Meeting, in May, was largely attended, and a spirit of consecration was manifest among all. For this meeting we had most helpful letters from Miss Mathews, of New York, and our own Mrs. Dale, who was visiting in Arizona; and one from far-off Alaska, which was so full of interest, but reached us a little late. Miss Eva Penfield was present, and gave a most interesting report of her work

in Simpson Home.

The Anniversary Meeting, which was held in September, was an occasion of rejoicing, in that our ministerial brethren evinced an interest in our work greater than ever before. The church was crowded, and Drs. Leonard and Henderson gave admirable addresses, the Conand Drs. Leonard and Henderson gave admirable addresses, the Conference Corresponding Secretary having first given a report of the year's work. Our financial report, taking it all and in all, we think not bad. For Alaska, we have contributed, including \$50 from Walnut Hills Circle, \$81.78; for Asheville, including some special gifts, \$71.51; for Washington Training-school, \$55.66, and we are learning to more fully appreciate the great need of its work—Springfield District, which I just visited, having promised \$25 for the coming year.

We expect to do better work this coming year than in the past. We go from here to fully organize one of our districts. We feel the impor-

tance of the work more and more, and are praying earnestly for a broader and fuller success. Our especial work, Glenn Home, will be reported later by its Secretary.

Mrs. D. E. Taylor, Conference Corresponding Secretary.

# COLORADO CONFERENCE.

The shadow of the panic of 1893 still rests upon Colorado. Her spirit is unbroken: but her possibilities for munificent gifts are, for the present, small. In many instances, the gifts put in the treasury of our Society have shrunken from large sums to the widow's mite; and yet the number of Auxiliaries has slightly increased, and the attendance at the monthly meetings is as large as ever. The year has been one of earnest work throughout the Conference. The meetings of the Conference Board have been regularly held, and several special sessions. The work has been prosecuted along all lines, with special emphasis upon the claims of our frontier ministers, our city missions, New Mexico, and the loan library for our candidates for the local and traveling ministry. To our ministers in the mountains we have sent, in cash and supplies. \$1,913, including a check to twenty of them as a little Christmas present. An Advocate enters the home of each of them each week, through our gift. To our city missions we have contributed \$60. We have contributed \$146 to the Harwood Home, in Albuquerque, for the purchase of school furniture; thus rounding out the sum of \$746, which the Colorado\_Conference has given to this important charity. We have assisted rado Conference has given to this important charity. We have assisted the Dulce School for the Apaches and Mexicans to an encyclopedia. lexicon, harness, etc. The final gift of \$50, and clothing to our little girl, Rosa Mitchell, at the Mothers' Jewels Home, York, Nebraska, has been made. The little girl has just been adopted by a Christian lady, and bids fair to grow up a fine Christian character. Our Denver Auxiliaries have furnished three rooms in the Denver Haymarket Haven, a worthy institution, maintained by our beloved Conference President, Mrs. A. C. Peck. Eighty ladies are pursuing the required readings of the Reading Circle. Mite-boxes have been placed in four additional Auxiliaries. The new department for promoting "Systematic Beneficence" has been organized, and will be pushed by its Secretary during the new year.

We have been honored, during the year, by a visit from Mrs. Anna Kent and from Mrs. James Dale, General Secretaries. Their presence and addresses will be more than a pleasant memory. The local department work shows excellent results

Mrs. C. B. Spencer,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

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# COLUMBIA RIVER CONFERENCE.

Although our Woman's Home 'Missionary Society has not accomplished, during the year, all that we hoped, yet we have cause for thankfulness because of increase in membership.

So many of our Auxiliaries fail to send in reports. Among the faithful are Milton and Walla Walla.

Mrs. I. G. Whitfield, of Portland, Oregon, Organizer for Oregon, Washington, and Idaho, visited several places in our Conference; but, owing to extreme heat and dust, was obliged to return home until more favorable weather.

At the Dalles, she organized an Auxiliary of 14 members, and a Young Ladies' Circle of 11 members: at Goldendale, an Auxiliary of

7 members; at Pasco, an Auxiliary of 7 members.

Mrs. C. E. Berry, Conference Corresponding Secretary,

# DES MOINES CONFERENCE.

This has been the first year of organized effort in the Woman's Home Missionary Society in Des Moines Conference. We now have seventeen Auxiliaries where, eighteen months ago, there was but one. Most excellent local work has been done, and much has been sent in supplies.

The first Annual Meeting, held at Des Moines in May, was attended

by all the Conference Secretaries of the State. We were greatly helped by the presence of Mrs. Clara L. Roach, who gave us many valuable suggestions concerning the work in the East, and counseled us wisely in Bureau Convention.

At the September meeting of the Conference Board of Nine, the Deaconess Home of Des Moines was consigned to the management of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. We gladly and heartily welcome this Home throughout the State, and the added work and responsibility. Let the interest of all our lowa Methodism be centered in this Deaconess Home at Des Moines. At the Conference Anniversary, Mrs. J. P. Negus presented the work to a large audience. Our most pressing need is a competent, consecrated woman to present the work and better organize the Conference. We most earnestly "covet the best gifts," and enter upon the new year with renewed strength, and faith that the cause of Home Missions will greatly prosper in Des Moines Conference.

MRS JULIA T. WEBB, Conference Corresponding Secretary. Address: 746 East Walnut Street, Des Moines, Iowa.

# DETROIT CONFERENCE.

The report in hand is the twelfth from Detroit. The year's review shows diligence in our work. We have felt keenly the financial depression. Our territory extends in length as far as from Portland, Maine, to Richmond, Virginia. We have all classes of people and grades of appointments. We are an iron-producing, lumbering, farming, and manufacturing folk. Of all Conferences, perhaps none goes up and down with the time folk. with the times more than does the Detroit.

Five district meetings have been held. Our deaconess work shows Providential direction in a marked degree. The past has been the best year of this great work, and the incoming promises larger usefulness. Our Ministers' Loan Library has completed its first decade. This work grows in appreciation by our young ministers, as the many letters of thanks testify. We have 584 volumes in the regular Conference course

of study.

We are indebted to Mrs. Potter for the gracious work she accom-plished in our Conference in the formation of new Auxiliaries and the

fresh zeal she imparted to many already formed.

The Woman's Home Missions enters and interests 659 of our homes.
The Children's Home Missions has 83 subscribers. The Conference Anniversary Meeting was held in Garland Street Church, Flint, September 11th. Mrs. E. L. Albright, of Toledo, Ohio, delivered the address. It was greatly appreciated. She will be welcomed again.

Mrs. W. B. Pope, Conference Corresponding Secretary.

# EAST OHIO CONFERENCE.

This is one of the largest Conferences of the Church, and one of the most generous in its support of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. It is the early home of Bishop Thoburn and his sisters; the home of the Scotts, of Miss Swain; and Mrs. Scranton went out from us to her

missionary field in Corea.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society is strong, and has grown rapidly since the organization of the Home Society, contrary to the fears of many that it would be injured by it. The Annual Meeting of our Conference Society was held in Canton, the home of Governor McKinley. He attended our Sabbath-morning meeting, and brought with him some

of his distinguished visitors.

The Cleveland Deaconess Home is in a very prosperous condition. An industrial building has been erected in the rear of the lot, and our property is now valued at ten thousand dollars. There are eleven members in the Home, seven of whom are consecrated deaconesses. There are ninety scholars in the sewing-classes, and the mothers' meetings and evening meetings are well attended. At the mothers' meeting, four Italian women are learning to read and write the English language. A night-school for men and boys is held in the Industrial Building; and every Thursday night a reception is given at the Deaconess Home by one of the Churches of the city, at which time supplies are brought for use in the Home, and for distribution. The Mission, under the care of the deaconesses, has removed to larger and more commodious rooms, and is well attended. The Deaconess Home was never in such a good condition, nor as well equipped for carrying on its work. The city Churches did not divide their membership money, but gave it all to the General Fund. Miss Winnifred Spaulding has been removed from Cleveland to take the Superintendency of the new Home in Los Angeles.

In Cleveland District the Woman's Home in Los Angeles.

In Cleveland District the Woman's Home and Foreign Societies hold their Annual Meeting together, and most of the Auxiliaries of the Cleveland Churches meet together. Help has been given by this Conference to almost every department of the work, and the supplies sent to the needy district have been large. Notwithstanding the hard times, more money has been raised by our Conference than ever before. Two of our Societies—First Church, Cleveland, and First Church, Akron—have each raised over \$1,000 for our work this year. Akron Church has a membership of 225, and of thirty life members—the largest, I think, in the Church.

Mrs. M. C. Hickman, Corresponding Secretary.

# EAST TENNESSEE CONFERENCE.

Our numbers and figures are not what we would like them to be; yet our hearts are cheered to know that we have gained two new Auxiliaries on the Bristol District. There seems to be a growing interest on the district mentioned; while on the Chattanooga we are apparently losing ground. No new work can be reported on the Knoxville District, but the interest is sustained in the old workers. The Wytheville District is in the remote part of the Conference, and I have tried faithfully, by sending letters and printed information, to get the work started; but to no avail. The greatest need is to get the people to understand the work, and their duty to others less favored than themselves. Our Conference meeting, to be held at Greenville, October 16th, is looked forward to as a time for renewing our energy for another year's work.

# MRS. CORA PROVINE, Conference Corresponding Secretary.

#### ERIE CONFERENCE.

So quietly has the work of our Conference moved on during the year that there seems to be little of special interest to report. One Mothers' Jewels Band, one Reading Circle, and two Auxiliaries have

been organized. We also have one large organization for local work in Jamestown, N. Y. Notwithstanding the general business depression, our Auxiliaries, with few exceptions, have promptly met their apportionment of the Conference pledge as it is given to them by the District Secretaries, and some have already exceeded their specified amount.

We promised \$150 to Asheville Building Fund, and our Treasurer reports \$206 passed into the General Treasury. Of this money, our district officers request that \$100 be used to constitute our beloved President, Mrs. E. J. L. Baker, who has the distinguished honor to be the first Conference President in the general organization, an honorary manager of the Woman's Home Missionary Society; and with the second \$100, we wish to constitute our faithful and efficient Treasurer, Mrs. F. H. Beck, an honorary manager of this great organization. The Annual Meeting of the Conference Executive Board, cordially

invited to Chautauqua every year, was largely attended, and unusually profitable. Mrs. Baker presided at the Conference Anniversary, held at the seat of the Conference, New Castle, Pa. Dr. Hutsinpiller gave an eloquent and inspiring address. At an evening session, Mrs. Beck represented us as one of the connectional organizations of the Church. Our Conference Organizers' Fund reached \$200.

Some of our district meetings were exceptionally good. At all of them the pastors were present, and at one we had seven ministers and the presiding elder. We have had several marked conversions to the need of the existence of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and we gratefully acknowledge the growing sympathy and cordial support of presiding elders and pastors, and even some members of Official Boards. consecrated girls have gone from our bounds to the Southern field. We bear on our banners two helpful mottoes, gleaned from Chautauqua's uplifting influence: "Let us keep our Heavenly Father in the midst;" and, "Never be discouraged." Annie M. Cummings, Corresponding Secretary.

# FLORIDA CONFERENCE.

Our report for the past year is not at all encouraging. It seems as if everything has been against us—heavy Church debts, financial pressure, and many obligations to meet; but, nevertheless, a few Auxiliaries and one Mission Circle are still holding on, and we are sending our little mite to help on the good work. We have eight Auxiliaries, with a membership of fifty; Boylan Home Mission Circle, eighteen members; twenty-five subscribers to Home Missions: and eight life members. We are also glad to say that Boylan Industrial Home is a blessing in our midst. The school is crowded with anxious scholars, eager to receive the instructions given them by the efficient corps of teachers at the Home. We trust much more will be accomplished this year.

Mrs. D. I. Grant, Secretary.

# GENESEE CONFERENCE.

In April, 1886, the Woman's Home Missionary Society of Genesee Conference was organized by Mrs. J. F. Willing. At our last Annual Meeting we celebrated our tenth anniversary, and the reports that were given of the work that had been done during the first decade of our Society filled our hearts with gratitude for the success with which our Heavenly Father had crowned our labors.

Since we began our work, there have been eighty-seven organizations

effected in our Conference. Sixty-two of these were Auxiliaries, and twenty-five were Mission Circles and Bands. A few of these have grown weary in well-doing.

During the last year we have had five new Auxiliaries, with a total membership of one hundred and fifteen; and two new Circles, with thirty

In August last, a very successful Institute was held at Silver Lake Assembly, which continued through one week, holding daily sessions of one hour each. All the different departments of work were ably represented, in excellent papers and addresses, by the noble women of our Conference. A Silver Lake Auxiliary was organized, containing seventy members, and a goodly number of subscribers obtained to "Home Missions.

The six districts in the Conference are organized as District Associations, and interest and efficiency in the work are increasing with each

succeeding year.

In June, 1890, the Genesee Conference Deaconess Home, in Buffalo, was formally opened and dedicated by Bishop Vincent. Under the efficient care of the Superintendent, Miss Elizabeth A. Smith, the work has extended in all directions, and great good is being done by our noble band of deaconesses. In December, 1892, the Home was removed to 2978 Main Street, where a fine property had been purchased through the generosity of a few friends. The commodious house shelters thirteen deaconesses, who find the joy of Christian service in house-to-house visiting, nursing, kindergarten, kitchengarden, etc., together with evangalistic words. gelistic work.

There has been a large amount of local work done, and the work of sending supplies to our needy ministers in the South and on the frontier

has been successfully prosecuted.

The following figures will show the amount of cash that has been raised, and the estimated value of supplies that have been sent forward

during the ten years of our existence as a Society.

In October, 1886, when the Society was but six months old, we sent to our General Treasurer in Cincinnati, \$319.15 in cash, and forwarded supplies valued at \$318.27. In 1887, our first full year in the work, we raised \$750.84 in cash, and \$602.40 in supplies. In 1896, our last year in the work, we raised \$2,994.42 in cash, and \$4,268.91 in supplies. The total amount of cash raised during our first decade is \$27,610; the total of supplies is \$35,938; and in both cash and supplies, \$63,548. This is an average of \$63,54 for every year since we began our work average of \$6,354 for every year since we began our work.

As we enter upon our second decade, which will usher in the twentieth century, we do so giving all praise and thanksgiving to Him who has so wonderfully blessed our labors in the past, and trusting Him for still greater success in the future. (Mrs.) ELIZABETH B. GREEN,

Conference Corresponding Secretary.

# HOLSTON CONFERENCE.

Our Conference has not only held its own the past year, but has made considerable advancement. Knoxville is deeply interested in deaconess work. Ritter Home, located at Athens, Tenn., in the Holston Conference, opened September 2d, with a much larger number of girls than it has had in any previous year. Our Conference has sustained a great loss in the removal to Baltimore of our President, Mrs. T. C. Warner. We hope, during the coming year, to get our work organized in several Churches that have always felt that they could not sustain a Missionary Society.

MRS. F. V. CHAPMAN, Corresponding Secretary.

### ILLINOIS CONFERENCE.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Illinois Conference has just cause for gratitude to the good Father for reasonable prosperity along all lines during the year just past. The established Auxiliaries have been faithful and efficient in their work; loyal to the interests of the General Society, as well as to the work within the bounds of our own Conference. Pastors are themselves asking for literature, and organizing Societies within their own Churches. Young people and children have greatly increased interest. Jacksonville District has been our best organized district; but from causes not altogether unreasonable, many of the Societies lost their interest, and the work declined. But now, with the present efficient corps of officers, a large increase in Auxiliaries is expected.

The meeting of the General Board of Managers, held in Springfield by invitation of the First Church Auxiliary, gave an impetus to the work in this Conference, which, we believe, will long be felt as an inspiration and a blessing. No one can doubt the courage and true interest in the Society of these royal hostesses. Three organizations were effected during the session of this Convention through the efforts of visiting ladies. Besides these, we are happy to report six new Auxiliaries, all active and

promising.

The great work upon our hearts, perhaps, this year has been the Cunningham Deaconess Home and Orphanage at Urbana. Although little over a year has passed since its doors were opened, it has impressed itself, not only upon the community where it is located, but upon the Conference. It has closed the first year of its beneficent work—without

a penny of debt, and a small balance in the treasury.

Two deaconesses have spent some time in our Home. Miss Blackburn did loving and efficient service under direction of the pastors at Grace Church, Decatur; First Church, Lincoln; and Centenary Church, Jacksonville. Mrs. Evans gave service to the First Church, Urbana, and visited several Churches in company with the Conference Corresponding Secretary, speaking effectively for her work. Twenty-five children have been sheltered in this home-like Home. Some have been adopted or indentured into Christian homes. All these have received a motherly care and solicitude from Mrs. Woodruff, their Superintendent, not always surpassed when one truly bears the relation of mother.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society has the key to the Illinois Conference. With active Auxiliaries in all the leading Churches, and in many of our smaller Churches, as well as in some country appointments, with ministers aroused to the needs of the work and the efficiency of the Society,—what wait we for, but consecrated women to take leadership in the districts? With a Conference Corresponding Secretary who, in the near future, can give her time to this work of organizing, encouraging, and instructing, what may we not hope for the future, under the blessing of the Father?

Mrs. B. S. Potter, Corresponding Secretary.

# INDIANA CONFERENCE.

One has truly said, "The great physical fact of this world is work." Through the persistent efforts of our Conference and district officers, we are enabled to bring to you the good news that there has been no decline in our work, but a steady advance, closing up the results of the year with the full realization that we have received what we worked for. Eight new Auxiliaries have been added to our list; in addition to these, we have three sickly ones, that will need milk and honey in large doses.

We would like to see an increase of subscribers to Woman's Home Missions.

The children's paper is well received, and is a delight to all. especial effort has been made to distribute literature. Copies of our papers, reports, and leaflets have found their way into many homes.

The "Growing in Grace" cards have been generously used. Where

new Auxiliaries have been formed, or members secured, we have used them as membership cards, and they have proved to be very attractive. You are indebted to the Indiana Conterence for one-half of the expense of making

the free distribution of these beautiful and suggestive cards.

There is no lack of interest in the raising of funds for special purposes, and in the support and aid of beneficiaries, eight of whom are receiving of the bounty of this Conference—some being supported entirely; otners, in part. The most lively interest is being manifested in the case of two African girls, who are preparing for work in their native country—Etna Halderness and Lula Pope—now at our Asheville Home. The deaconess work, through our recently-appointed manager, Mrs. E. W. McIntosh, is receiving more consideration. Two of our Churches have deaconesses employed, whose support is aided by our Home Missionary women-one Auxiliary pledging each year a stipulated sum on the salary.

The piedges made at the last Annual Meeting have been cheerfully responded to. The cash report of our Conterence shows a large gain to the Special Fund, and that almost every member has paid the rull

membership dues.

We are numerically small, being but little more than seven hundred

members; but we are strong in faith.

One new district, Moores Hill, has been organized with a full set of officers, elected at a called meeting at Rising Sun, starting out with seven Auxiliaries.

All of the districts have the time and place of the district meetings fixed for the coming year, which will be of advantage to the Program Committee and Society entertaining.

There is a movement on foot to hold a State meeting, composed of the different Conferences and districts, believing that such a meeting

will have a wholesome influence in every part of the State.

After sending out a number of letters announcing our coming, in company with Miss Florence V. Jackman, of Bennett Home, we spent several days in the southern part of the Conference, where we talked with the people in house-to-house visitation, delivered addresses to both with the people in house-to-house visitation, delivered addresses to both white and colored audiences, distributed literature in large quantities, and planned for a liberal gathering of large results in the near future. Mite-boxes are not as generally used as desired, and we propose, during the coming year, to press this subject on the Auxiliaries; also to get these silent pleaders for consecrated money for the Lord's work among the membership of the Churches. Twenty-four public meetings have been held during the year. At Acton Park we were favored with an address by Mrs. E. L. Albright; at Deputy Camp-meeting, by Miss Jackman. Our special days are now very generally observed. Already I have orders for the program prepared for Thank-offering Day.

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The most delightful meetings held last year were on the Day of Humiliation and Prayer, when the Societies of all denominations partici-

pated with us in its observance.

In view of the additional work coming to us by the union of the two Conferences, it was deemed advisable to elect an Assistant Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. M. B. Hyde, who has already proved to be indeed helpful to the work and the overtaxed Conference Secretary.

Mrs. A. V. P. Adams, Corresponding Secretary.

Mrs. M. B. Hyde, Assistant Secretary.

# IOWA CONFERENCE.

How near to each other the milestones are! One is scarcely passed till another is in sight. We have crossed the threshold of another year. The past, with its labors, its sorrows and joys, its failures and successes, has imprinted its record upon the pages of eternity. Some one has said,

> "'T is greatly wise to talk with our past hours, And ask them what report they bore to heaven."

In taking a retrospective view of our work, when we compare the actual results with the ideal, our effort seems almost fruitless. But when we remember the command, "Cast thy bread upon the waters," and the promise, "Thou shalt find it after many days," our heart takes courage, and our faith embraces the unseen future harvest.

I regret that I can not bring you a glowing account of large achievement, in this, my first annual report; but I rejoice that I can tell of some advance in all departments of work.

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The talismanic words, "Pray! Organize! Advance!" uttered last year by our own sweet singer, Mrs. Taylor, were a source of great inspiration to me, and they have been my watchwords during the year.

During the year, one district organization has been effected; and eight Auxiliaries, four Committees, five Jewels Bands, and two Reading Circles have been organized. All of the old Auxiliaries and most of the old Committees have taken on new zeal. We have laid great stress upon the circulation of our literature, and an intelligent comprehension of our work. We have endeavored to interest the young people and the Leagues within our bounds, having written to nearly all the latter. We have, in a few instances, received favorable replies. Our Conference is supporting four beneficiaries; namely, Lucy Cobb, in Adeline Smith Home; Marie Thomas, in Stickney Home; a girl in the Jesse Lee Home; and one in the Mothers' Jewels Home. The last two were taken this year. There has been about ten per cent increase in the cash receipts, with a less credit for supplies; though we have actually sent more than last year. There was a misunderstanding about the vouchers for cash and supplies sent to the Central District, of the Oklahoma Conference.

The Annual Meeting, held during the session of our Conference, was the largest and best I have ever attended. An Auxiliary, composd of ministers' wives, and other ladies who had no Auxiliary in their Church, was formed. We hope to interest many in this way each year. Fifteen women became members, and all of them subscribed for the paper. Our

Aniversary was largely attended, and much interest manifested.

I wish to record, in this report, my gratitude to the pastors who so kindly received me and my message, giving me, in most cases, both hours of the Sabbath services. I find the people interested in our work when it is presented. We have as yet only about thirty Churches that are interested, out of the one hundred and forty-eight pastoral charges. There is much land to be possessed; but we are better organized than ever before, with enthusiastic officers, and loyal rank and file, and a rich domain, with magnificent women, well-endowed, consecrated, and earnest, who only need to be aroused to make the work move on grandly.

We begin the new year with the old watch-words, "Pray! Organize!

Advance!" Mrs. LAVANDA G. MURPHY, Corresponding Secretary.

# KANSAS CONFERENCE.

We believe the interest has deepened during the past year, and we are in better working order, as we grow more familiar with the details of the work.

Our Annual Meeting was held at Manhattan in May, and besides keeping up our generous supply-work of the past, we pledged ourselves to give \$100 toward supporting a Kansas girl in the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school for the ensuing year.

Our ladies come up nobly to the work.

We have a large field for missionary work on the frontier of our own

Our Conference was unanimous in desiring to aid the needy of our State first. After visiting the western counties of Kansas during the past summer, I am more encouraged in this work than ever before, since those noble Western ministers and their families declared that, were it not for our beloved Woman's Home Missionary Society, their work could not have been sustained.

ADDA L. FUNDIS, Corresponding Secretary.

# LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

I wish I could send you a grand report of work done, but I can not. I have appointed District Secretaries, but have not been able to get them to work yet. Mrs. L. J. Johnson returns to this Conference. She has been actively engaged in the work at Atlanta. She writes me that she really prefers to do what she can to build up the cause at home—Texarkana, Arkansas. She will undoubtedly organize there.

I wrote to one District Secretary, telling her all I could about the work. Our Conference Society is not fully equipped with officers, there being only Conference Corresponding Secretary and District Secretaries. We hope soon to become completely officered, and do good work the coming year.

Helena Richardson, Conference Secretary.

# LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

With the blessings of God, under the leadership of Mrs. S. E. Johnson, we come to submit this, our report from the State of Louisiana. Although our President has been quite sick this year, the sisters gathered around her, and prayed for her recovery. Thank God, she is at her post again! We are very happy to report increased interest in the work of our Society, and some progress made. Our Peck's Industrial Home is doing a grand work for our girls, under the leadership of Miss C. E. Hickman. A Club of girls has been lately organized, to learn to sew.

We have consecration services in all of our city Churches, with good results; although we are not what we hope to be. We are planning to build a Home of Correction for our girls. One of our preachers has pledged \$100 for it. New Auxiliaries have been organized, and are doing local work. We have passed through a trying year, financially, and the depressing influences have been felt by our Auxiliaries. Our Convention was held June 15th, the largest that has ever been witnessed, and much good has been accomplished. We hope to enter upon the work of the new year with renewed zeal, and a firm purpose to do our best for the cause of Home Missions and the work of the Lord best for the cause of Home Missions and the work of the Lord.

D. M. WALKER, Corresponding Secretary.

# MAINE CONFERENCE.

As was the battle over the ancient shrine—with silver on one side, and gold on the other—so is the battle of the giants to-day over silver and gold; but our Missionary Society arises, in the midst of life's great struggle, saying, "Both our gold and our silver are free." We extend the open hand of charity to the oppressed and unfortunate, and call, "Such as I have, give I unto thee. Arise, walk, work, and blessings shall come to thee such as silver and gold can not buy."

As a knowledge of our work extends, the interest increases. During the past year of labor "In His Name," one Auxiliary has been organized, and several charges have donated money and clothing. One Society, after being in a state of suspended animation for more than a year, has reorganized, and taken a new lease of life. Several Churches are hopefully awaiting organization. Our Conference Anniversary was very helpful. Mrs. G. W. Mansfield was at her best, and gave us an interesting

address, enthusing the audience.

Public meetings have been held on Portland District, at South Portland, where Mrs. Helen Beedy and others gave addresses; and at Old Orchard, with an address by Mrs. Eldholm. Several of our Societies have held public meetings, which have awakened an interest in our work. The Conference Secretary addressed an audience at Poland Camp-meeting; and, though no formal collection was taken, about thirteen dollars were passed to the speaker at the close of the meeting, and some expressed a desire for Auxiliaries. Some life members have been placed upon the roll this year—one at South Portland, one at Farmington, and three at Saco. The last named Society has now eleven life members, and it pays a part of the salary of a teacher in the South. Farmington has aided a beneficiary at the Jesse Lee Home, and given a scholarship in the Alaska school; and the Society at Congress Street, Portland, is educating a colored girl at Atlanta. Gardiner, Augusta, Old Orchard, Lewiston, South Portland, and Woodfords, responded to Alaska's appeal, and contributed money and clothing. Several of our members have contributed toward the education of a girl in Atlanta, who designs to go to Africa as a missionary. Mrs. C. F. Allen, Mrs. Groves, and Mrs. Holmes, the efficient agents of our paper, "Home Missions," are rewarded with a subscription-list of ninety-five. More papers and more information are needed. Our Mite-box Secretary, Mrs. A. A. Lewis, has sent out 75 boxes, which help wonderfully. The Saco box-offering is \$18.25; and the new Readfield Society, \$10.25. This young Society also presents a commendable example in sustaining a Mission Reading Circle. Skowhegan, with a Mission Band of about fifty, uses the mite-boxes, and also several other Societies; and these sums will doubtless be included in the report of the Treasurer.

Our Secretary of Supplies, Miss Isabel Allen, reports the value of \$900 in clothing, sent South, East, and West. Could the grateful letters from recipients be extensively read, many more would do likewise. Churches without Auxiliaries have sent barrels and boxes of clothing; namely, Pleasantdale, Lisbon, Bethel, Bowdoinham, Auburn, Sanford, and West End Portland. We hope that organizing will follow contributing. Our Society has had the good fortune to have a bequest of \$725.

Mrs. Luce, our Treasurer, and delegate to the Fourteenth Annual

Mrs. Luce, our Treasurer, and delegate to the Fourteenth Annual Convention, has reported the important work of that Convention to five different meetings, and fifty copies of the Report of the Convention have been distributed.

We wish to express our gratitude to pastors and people who have aided in our work, and we hope those who have given respectful kindness

will soon heartily co-operate in extending the work. It is difficult to rapidly widen our borders, unless the pastors prepare the way. In closing the record of another year, we realize that much is unreported; but when "the books are open," we shall see the complete account of labor and self-sacrifice for the Master, who said, "A cup of cold water given in my name shall not lose its reward." With prayers for added blessings, we leave our work in the hands of Him who can overrule all mistakes, and give greater victories in the year to come.

SARAH F. PALMER, Corresponding Secretary.

#### MICHIGAN CONFERENCE.

The work of the year has been in most respects similar to that of preceding ones. At no time has there been more faithful work done by the district officers, and by the workers in the local Auxiliaries, than during the present year. The seven District Associations held their respecting the present year. The seven District Associations held their respective Annual Meetings, which were characterized by manifestations of increasing interest in our work, and were pronounced by those in attendance, "The best of all the meetings." The Annual Conference meeting, held November, 1895, in Lansing, our capital city, was of unusual interest, made so, largely, by the presence and addresses of Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson and her sister, Professor Henrietta Bancroft. The Conference Anniversary, held a month ago, was very largely attended. Mrs. Robinson came again to our relief, and gave one of her enthusiastic addresses, brimming full of Home Missionary intelligence. This was not all—every moment of the few hours she remained with us was spent not all-every moment of the few hours she remained with us was spent in counseling, and aiding in the different lines of work. In connection with this meeting, there was the consecration of a deaconess, Mrs. Ida McCoy, by Bishop Walden, who used the impressive and beautiful consecration service in the new Discipline. The Holy Spirit was indeed manifest in the audience, and we were made to feel, like Wesley, "The best of all is. God is with us."

Successful services were held at five camp-meetings. At one of these, our work was presented by Miss Flora Mitchell, of Thayer Home, Atlanta, who did us valuable service.

Five beneficiaries were aided during the year—two at Ritter Home, one at Peck Home, one at Elizabeth Rust Home, and one at Stickney Home. Mothers' Jewels Home was helped to the extent of \$21; and Albuquerque Home. \$5. with this meeting, there was the consecration of a deaconess, Mrs. Ida

Albuquerque Home, \$5.

The Society had a gift of a house and lot, valued at \$1,000, and which rents at \$7 per month. We were incorporated as a Michigan Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society, under the laws of the State of Michigan, and are now able to receive and hold property legally. The Society is well organized, with its Chairman of Supply Committee, Local Work and Mitabox Committee. It also has two organizers. It published the state of the state Work and Mite-box Committee. It also has two organizers. It publishes reports of its Annual Meetings. But there still remains a great work to be done; and that which concerns us the most, and gives us the greatest anxiety, is the organization of Auxiliaries.

Mrs. Levi Master. Conference Corresponding Secretary.

## MINNESOTA AND NORTHERN MINNESOTA CONFERENCES.

Minnesota and Northern Minnesota Conferences are quietly and steadily advancing in the cause of Home Missions. Their interest broadens and deepens with the knowledge and opportunities presented. Our many devoted laborers bestow most generously of their sums and

substance. Our work comprises the support of seven beneficiaries: one in Mexico, two in Ritter Home, and four in Alaska. Of eleven Auxiliaries, our cash receipts amount to \$603. This amount seems, perhaps, a modest result of all the efforts of the year, as our Conference sustains mission relations; so that, besides local work, we provide for our own frontier relief-work, and, in several cases, have been abundantly able to go beyond these limits.

To the Lord's pioneers, many barrels have found their way, and

other gifts, among which was a horse.

We share an average number of subscribers to Woman's Home Missions, mite-boxes are circulating, and we have several Bands of Mothers' Jewels.

The pastors are inquiring into the work, who will, no doubt, prove factors in organizing new Auxiliaries. One is already reported from a

Mrs. R. K. Evans, who was our beloved President for eight successive years, and served us most faithfully, tendered her resignation at the close of that period, and, about the same time, was most suddenly and deeply bereaved by the death of her husband. The entire Board sympathize with her deeply in this dark hour.

During the summer we were favored by the presence of Mrs. F. V. Chapman, of the Ritter Home, Athens, Tenn., who spread deep enthusi-

asm among our people.

Already rich results are reported, at the beginning of this new year, among them gifts of a communion service and linen, boxes of supplies, and two sewing-machines for the Home; and seven new Auxiliaries have been organized, with prospects of more. Thus we have every encouragement to go forward, "sowing good seed" in His Name.

MRS. JOHN TAYLOR, Corresponding Secretary.

#### MISSOURI CONFERENCE.

The close of another year finds Missouri Conference in a growing condition, for which we are truly thankful. There has been a good increase in number of members, though only a small increase in number of Auxiliaries. The "Fisk Auxiliary" has been a blessing, and many dollars are gathered into the treasury that could be received in no other way. The full benefit will not be seen until another year, as many will pay just before the Spring Conference.

We regret that none of our Auxiliaries are taking up any special work, and sincerely pray that they may be prevailed upon to do this

another year.

The supplies sent out have been better than ever, and our Industrial Homes and Schools are being remembered. During the coming winter, Peck and King Homes will enjoy Missouri apples, while Mothers' Jewels

Home will enjoy more than one can of Missouri fruit.

Mrs. Dale kindly tarried with us for a few days upon her return from the West. She spoke at Brookfield and Marceline upon the general work. In our Home, she was indeed a blessing, giving us words of encouragement and instruction, and leaving us full of inspiration to go forward. We feel her coming was in answer to our prayer, in our last report, for help from our Eastern sisters. We were feeling so alone in our work, so far as human help was given, and needed just the uplift her presence gave.

Mrs. Spurlock gave the Anniversary address, and, as she always does, won many friends for our cause. The Annual Meeting, held in connection with the Anniversary, was not as satisfactory as we desired; but we do trust and pray that at our next Annual Meeting we can impress upon the sisters that this is a very important meeting, and will make an effort to have it held at some other season than at the Conference session.

Perhaps the most hopeful feature of the work this year is, that we have lost no Auxiliaries, and have gained six; these, with the gain in the Fisk Auxiliary, give us a gain of 131 in membership.

In stopping to look over the year's work, we see the discouragements outnumber the encouragements; but we turn our face forward, and are determined, by prayer, earnest work, and faithful and persistent effort, to surely, though it be slowly, win Missouri Conference for the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Mrs. Price A. Crow. Home Missionary Society. Mrs. Price A. Crow,

Conference Corresponding Secretary.

#### NEBRASKA CONFERENCE.

Early in the year our Conference Secretary was chosen as matron of the State School of Correction. She soon found her duties left her but little time for her Conference work. Sorry as we were to lose her active labors, we dropped a double mantle on the willing and faithful shoulders of our Conference Organizer, Mrs. M E. Roberts, but soon this loved woman sank under nervous prostration. She left a good showing, however, before she yielded to this relentless tyrant, the strongest enemy of devoted and self-giving women, for in her four months of labor she visited forty-five churches and towns in the interest of the Woman's

visited forty-five churches and towns in the interest of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, formed two Mission Bands, organized and reorganized eighteen Societies, securing three hundred and thirty-six members. \$94.34 was collected through mite-boxes, and the money applied on the Mothers' Jewels Hospital Annex Fund.

The most of our supply work has been in the direction of the "Home." Some Auxiliaries obeyed Scriptural injunctions, and sent in a "First Fruit" offering from their orchards of luscious fruits. The great apples blushed red with pride that they could serve the Master's use, and the white ivories of our children at the "Home" found them true to the core. We hope the "Home" orchard will soon be able to supply its own

We have not forgotten, nor can we ever, so long as his needs are before our eyes, and we can call him by name, the preacher on the fron-tier; not out of our abundance, for Nebraska has been one of the sore sufferers of the drought-stricken years, but out of our missionary heart that bids us give one coat if we have two, we have sent our barrels.

Lack of funds for travel has sorely hindered in the holding of dis-

trict meetings. We have held three.

The Annual Meeting, at Grace Church, Lincoln, was one of spiritual helpfulness. It again placed the yoke of the Corresponding Secretary's office upon the helpless neck of your humble servant. This would press heavily were it not for the helping hand of our Christ, who promises that it shall feel light.

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The Anniversary Meeting at Hastings, in connection with our Conference this fall, proved a happy occasion, despite our disappointments in not being able to secure one of our General Officers. Mrs. Bishop McCabe made an address, which was very happy. The work at the Mothers' Jewels Home will be reported elsewhere, hence we pass it with only the words, "We are justly proud of it and its work."

Our Woman's Home Missionary Society is gaining in favor with both people and clergy, and in the eyes of our women you can read "Hope."

Mrs. J. R. Woodcock, Conference Secretary.

#### NEWARK CONFERENCE. .

The stimulus received at our Annual Meeting, last November, which was held in St. Luke's Church, Newark, proved to be of special service to our Auxiliaries. The attendance of such a large body of women, from different sections of our Conference, was a most encouraging demonstration of the growth of interest in our Woman's Home Missionary Society. Pledges were made which have been largely redeemed, in spite of the hard times.

The year has proved a trying one, owing to the illness of the Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, so that the supervisory work has devolved largely upon the other members of the Conference Executive

Board.

The systematic efforts of our Conference and District Mite-box Secretaries have resulted in an increased income from these gleaners of the precious mites.

Beneficiaries have been supported in the Jesse Lee, Harwood, Boy-

lan, and Haven Homes.

While our subscriptions to the Woman's Home Missions have not increased, as we had hoped, this paper is prized by our most intelligent

and loyal workers.

The Children's Home Missions has been warmly welcomed, and is winning its way in many Sunday-schools and Junior Leagues, the harbinger, we trust, of earnest Home Missionary work not many years

We feel honored as a Conference in being represented by such missionaries as Mrs. Lewis, in Haven Home; Miss Morehouse, in Boylan Home; and, this year, by Miss Elliott, in the Adeline Smith Home. In this connection we are pleased to mention the name of Mrs. Florence D. Watson, of Newark, who is untiring in her efforts in our Home Mis-

sionary work in that city.

The interest in deaconess work has been increased by our contributions to the Deaconess Rest Home at Ocean Grove, and by the discussions arising from the proposed establishment of a Deaconess Home in Jersey City, to which our Society has pledged its hearty co-operation. We are glad to be represented in the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school for Deaconesses by Mrs. G. A. Clark, of Newark, and by Mrs. Cole, whose faithfulness as a Home Missionary in the West Side Avenue Church, Jersey City, has been rewarded by her being sent by that Auxiliary to Washington this year. And our Executive Board has recently pledged the support of Miss Crawford, a member of the graduating class of the same school.

The most important meeting of the year was the Conference Union Meeting, which was held in Centenary Church, Jersey City, February 27, 1896, under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Societies of the New York, Newark, and New York East Conferences. Gratitude stirred all our hearts because of the presence of our beloved President, Mrs. Fisk, and her ability to preside so soon after her return from her nemorable trip to the Pacific Coast. Deep impressions were made of the vastness of the work of our Society, by a symposium on our eleven Bureaus, presented by some of the ablest women of the three Conferences,

in papers limited to ten minutes each.

The addresses of Mrs. Fisk, Miss Corbin, Miss Van Marter, Mrs. Beiler, and Mrs. Simpson, the devotional services, and the social privileges of the day, all conspired to make the meeting a great success, and to develop sentiment in favor of Conference Union Meetings.

Our Camp-meeting Anniversary, in August, was devoted to the

deaconess cause, which was ably presented by Mrs. Roach and two deaconesses from Washington.

We had scarcely completed raising our pledge of one hundred dollars for a memorial room in Boylan Home, for Miss Linda Boylan Fitz Gerald, our dearly loved Secretary of Supplies for many years, when Mrs. James Watson, the President of Paterson District, a woman beautiful in person and character, and one of the first to espouse our cause, passed to her reward from St. Augustine, Florida, where she had gone for rest. Though, as a Society, we lose, year by year, friends out of sight,

"'T is sweet in faith to muse, How grows in Paradise our store."

Mrs. J. I. Boswell, Conference Corresponding Secretary.

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#### NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE.

New England Conference has this year raised more money than in either of the three years preceding. To complete the payment of money borrowed to meet expenses of repairs upon the Immigrant Home, when it was remodeled, \$750 was used. The work of the Home has been carried on with the same earnestness by our ever-faithful missionary, Mrs. Clark; the sewing-school and meetings being maintained as last year, and much outside missionary work accomplished as well. During the year, Miss Lillian Huff, when not occupied in the restaurant, has rendered most efficient service in general missionary work and in visiting. Five souls have been led to Christ. The Swedish Church again worships in the chapel, which is henceforth to be known as "Pierce Chapel." In the spring, a corporation was formed in Massachusetts, to which the deed of the Immigrant Home was transferred by the General Society, and henceforth the property will be exempt from the tax of upwards of \$135, hitherto paid yearly by the Woman's Home Missionary Society. This action was necessary, as the laws of the State of Massachusetts do not exempt from taxation property owned outside the State, and the Woman's exempt from taxation property owned outside the State, and the Woman's Home Missionary Society is incorporated under the laws of the State of Qhio.

of Ohio.

The Medical Mission, situated at the North End of Boston, in a locality where a resident American family is rarely found, has entered upon the second year of its blessed double-ministry to body and soul. As nurse and doctor have patiently and tenderly ministered in abodes of poverty and ignorance, the wonder has grown with the patients why they were thus cared for, and many have been led to accept as their Savior Him in whose name each service was rendered, while many a lesson in cleanliness and order has been learned. These people are not ungrateful, and, when able to do so, express their gratitude by gifts for the work. A pair of rubber sheets and a small case of surgical instruments have been thus received. This year, the Conference Society will pay the salary of the nurse, in addition to the expenses of last year, which included the board of the resident physician, the rent of the rooms, and the salary of the Superintendent; thus raising the estimate for the present the salary of the Superintendent; thus raising the estimate for the present

year to \$1,000.

Through the Immigrant Home and Medical Mission, much, in line of deaconess work, is accomplished. But our thought has not been all absorbed with the work within our own borders. The various fields throughout our wide connection have been generously remembered, and a contribution made towards the Building Fund for Asheville. The

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value of supplies sent has been large. The Religious Periodical Bureau has done good work, and Home Missionary Reading Circles have been sustained in several Auxiliaries.

Our Conference has been especially favored by a visit from Mrs. B. S. Potter. She gave the address at our Annual Meeting, besides speaking in fifteen churches and holding parlor-meetings. She also organized an Auxiliary, and added upwards of one hundred new members. She was everywhere greatly enjoyed, and it is believed that her presence among us has given more help to the work than the figures express. At the Conference Anniversary, in April, Mrs. M. L. Woodruff was the speaker, and the work was presented with her usual grace and

We are grateful that the good Father has spared an unbroken band of Conference workers this year; but the homes of some have been touched with sorrow. We have sympathized with Mrs. Jefts, as she parted with her husband; and with Mrs. Joseph Mansfield, as her mother was called home. Our prayers still rise for the restoration to health of our dear Mrs. Dwight. The years but bring deepened trust in Him whose work we are privileged to share.

SARAH WYMAN FLOYD, Conference Corresponding Secretary.

#### NEW ENGLAND SOUTHERN CONFERENCE.

Hopefully we began the work of the year, with larger pledges to redeem than ever before. We are glad to report that we have raised \$83 more than was pledged. Our Treasurer's report shows that about \$700 more has passed through her hands than last year. Deducting from this \$500 from the Wilke's bequest, we find the actual gain, over last year, to be \$200. This, in view of the financial depression, is much to be thankful for. Special effort has been made to increase the subscription-list of Woman's Home Missions, and we have been fairly successful. Nearly five hundred copies, including renewals and new subscriptions, and about three hundred copies of Children's Home Missions, are taken.

Our Secretary of Supplies reports more new material and better quality sent out this year. A larger number of leaflets have also been

circulated

Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff gave the address at our Conference Anniversary. Mrs. F. F. George addressed the Annual Meeting. Campmeeting anniversaries, district and public meetings, as well as the regular Auxiliary meetings, have been held.

Special mention should be made of our President, Mrs. Everett, who has, all through the year, attended meetings, speaking many times, se-

curing new membership, and giving aid in many ways.

The Executive Board voted to work for the Building Fund this year, having in mind, especially, Browning, Asheville, and King Homes. In all our work, we must keep in view the one thought—that of bringing the lost to see Jesus.

ALICE B. TREGASKIS, Corresponding Secretary.

#### NEW HAMPSHIRE CONFERENCE.

We believe that the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in this Conference is steadily but slowly moving forward. Notwith-standing the fact that we have made no advancement in number of Auxiliaries, we feel that we have done well. During this year of financial

depression, we have lost neither in number of Auxiliaries nor members. Much Christian sacrifice has been made to secure this, beside the helping

of the needy in our own borders.

Our special work has been for Boylan and Jesse Lee Homes—we believe in the extremes; also, for Mothers' Jewels Home. Some special effort was made by Auxiliaries to secure funds for the Special General

Fund, and our pledges have been met.

Our Secretary of Supplies has labored faithfully, and through her efforts many have been helped. Abundant in labors, and quite successful have been the efforts of our Mite-box Secretary. Our President, tul have been the efforts of our Mite-box Secretary. Our President, by request of the Conference Board, has given time and strength to visit and encourage quite a number of the Auxiliaries during the year. We expect this will bear fruit in the near future.

Meetings have been held at all the camp-meetings—at one where the work had never been presented—and one Camp-meeting Auxiliary formed.

Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff was the speaker for our Conference Anniversary. Her clear, forceful, convincing words stirred all who heard her. She did us all good, and won friends to the cause.

Our recent Annual Meeting was well attended, and a spirit of earnestness present, which gave us courage and hope for the year to come. May the Lord help us to plan and execute wisely in this work!

Mrs. G. M. Curl, Corresponding Secretary.

## NEW JERSEY CONFERENCE.

The New Jersey Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society

has entered upon the first year of its second decade.

At our last Annual Meeting, she who had been with us from the beginning, and who had seen and known so well our effort in the work,

Because of Mrs. Fisk's resignation, we felt that it was right that our efficient Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. C. F. Garrison, should be her successor. She assumed the duties incumbent upon her with a prayerful heart, such as characterizes all her work for the Master whom she serves. Thorough district organization is becoming more and more recognized among us as the "pith and marrow" of successful work. A large and enthusiastic District Meeting was held in Camden, October 15th, and on the following day a dead Society was brought to life, with fifteen members. This is in addition to the Young Ladies' Circle, organized in Tabernacle Church, Camden, during the Conference year. The Quadrennial Reports received from Mrs. Rust were carefully distributed throughout the Conference. Our Mite-box, Reading Circle, and Home Missions Secretaries, this year, deserve mention here for the effort they are making in their departments. If they do not succeed, they at least will have done what they could.

G. M. P. Wells, Corresponding Secretary

## NEW YORK CONFERENCE

In the New York Conference we are greatly favored in having the honored President of our National Society in our midst, and in enjoying the benefit of her wise counsel and wide experience.

This year, Mrs. Park, the daughter of Mrs. Fisk, was elected Presi-

dent of our Conference Society, and these two noble women are sharing

and sacrificing with us in this great work.

The work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in the New York Conference is steadily growing, and several new Auxiliaries have been organized in our strong and important Churches. We have felt the stress of hard times, and some of our members have been obliged to withdraw from our work for a time. For this, we have had a partial compensation in that others have given more largely of sacrifice and of love to the cause. Our pastors, seeing the great benefits derived from our work in the local Churches in promoting greater activity and a deeper spirituality, are asking for our Society all over the Conference. We need a Conference organizer, who will go from Church to Church, to plant an Auxiliary in every hamlet town, and city within our bounds. to plant an Auxiliary in every hamlet, town, and city within our bounds.

Our supply work has been carried on with vigor. Not only have our

Auxiliaries sent generous contributions of valuable articles to the Home at Castle Garden and the Watts de Peyster Home, but numerous barrels and boxes, filled with clothing, books, and various necessities, have gone and boxes, filled with clothing, books, and various necessities, have gone to the frontier, to comfort and cheer the families of our faithful and heroic ministers, battling with want and hardship while doing the Lord's work in the destitute districts of the West and South. The work of our Immigrant Girl's Home is one of enlightened patriotism, and its blessed influences are carried to every State in the Union by the girls who bear with them the impression of good received here. The arduous work of administering the many duties of the Home is ably discharged by our consecrated and faithful missionary, Miss Mathews, who is loved alike by the officers of our Society and by the girls to whom she ministers so tenderly in Christ's name

tenderly in Christ's name.

The Watts de Peyster Industrial Home and School for Girls, at Tivoli, New York-which is not a temporary shelter, but, in most cases, Tivoli, New York—which is not a temporary shelter, but, in most cases, detains those whom it receives until they are eighteen years of age, furnishing them a good common-school education, careful religious instruction, and training in all domestic industries—has had a year of healthful growth. Great praise is due Mrs. George, the matron, for her wise administration, efficient mangement, and self-sacrificing toil. Founder's Day, as celebrated last June, was made memorable by the unfurling of a large and beautiful flag, the money for which was raised at the Grand Army Veterans' Reunion, in connection with the session of the New York Conference, last April. The gift was gratifyingly significant of the growing interest felt by the ministers of our Conference in this noble philanthropy. Further, it is a distinct recognition of the fact that the work of our Woman's Home Missionary Society is essentially patriotic. As our cause is understod in its aims and purposes, and in its farotic. As our cause is understod in its aims and purposes, and in its farreaching results in the homeland, more and more will our fathers and brothers, who fought on the field of battle to defend that banner, be proud to link it with our institutions and our work, knowing that in so doing they are but entwining the flag of the Republic about the cross of our Lord.

Mrs. Jacob E. Price, Corresponding Secretary.

#### NEW YORK EAST CONFERENCE.

The Home Missionary spirit in New York East Conference is growing, and though the statistical report may not show great increase in membership, or in number of Auxiliaries, still we, who are watching developments and noting the signs of the times, can readily discern the increased interest and friendliness for our work.

Those who live in large cities can easily understand why the city work is our most attractive field of labor. In the midst of our great

cosmopolitan population, with its thousands of needy, neglected, suffering ones, what wonder that many of our wealthiest and most generous people feel that Brooklyn should monopolize our missionary efforts! It takes precept upon precept, and line upon line, to educate our people

At our Conference and District Meetings we are very careful that the whole great work of our General Society shall be presented; and while we naturally raise more money for our Deaconess Home and our local work, we are also very loyal to all departments of the General Society's interest.

During the past year we have added two very vigorous Young Ladies' Circles to our list—one at Nostrand Avenue Church, of twentyfive members; and one at Patchoyne, Long Island, of forty membersand have the nucleus for four new Auxiliaries, pledged to organize at an early date. We have held three all-day meetings, which were greatly enjoyed. At one of these, we were favored with the presence of Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, of New York, who presented the interests of the Tivoli Home.

Mrs. Mary Leonard Woodruff spoke for us at our Conference Anniversary, in April, at New Haven; also spent the Sabbath, September 27th, with us, speaking both morning and evening in different Churches, making many friends for our work, and encouraging our Auxiliaries.

We united again this year with the Newark, New Jersey, and New York Conferences in a Group-meeting, held at Jersey City—a big meeting, a fine program and principal states to the conference of the program and principal states.

ing, a fine program, and an inspiration to all who attended.

We were greatly pleased to be able to furnish the outfit for that devoted missionary to Alaska, Miss Rinch, who left Brooklyn in May for her far-away field of labor, followed by the prayers and blessings of the New York East Conference ladies.

Our supply work for the year represents generous values in supplies

Our special local work, known as the Willing Workers' Home, has been greatly blessed, and owes its prosperity mainly to the work and effort of Mrs. Mabel Farraday, its Superintendent, aided by her Local Committee. It has this year sheltered twenty-three needy ones, for periods varying from five days to three months, and provided food and clothing to outside poor to the value of about \$600. A physician, employed around the poor to the value of about \$600. ployed among the poor, is always at hand when needed, and altogether, \$2,116 has been expended in the general work for the poor and needy; this includes evening classes in millinery, dressmaking, sewing, Bible-study, etc., for girls.

Arangements are being consummated for a free kindergarten and

library in connection with this work.

Amid the great financial depression, which has spread over the entire country, from Maine to California, during this fiscal year, we are glad to report that the Brooklyn Deaconess Home of the New York East Conference still stands as a monument of love, affection, and appreciation to the Woman's Home Missionary Society, as well as to many of our Methodist Churches in the above Conference, who have not been quite willing to identify themselves with the work of the Home Society except through the work of our deaconesses.

The very best part of the work can not be seen by human eye, or told by mortal lips. Fifteen thousand calls do not convey to you what those calls have meant to troubled and breaking hearts that have been comforted and strengthened, children that have been rescued, temperance pledges signed, the sick and aged cheered and helped, Church-letters brought to light, souls saved,—yet all this, and much more, has been

the result.

The distribution of 10,000 tracts, in the language best suited to the recipient, meant luxury to many homes; and the 12,000 garments given to the worthy poor, needs a flash-light picture of the miserable homes and poorly-clad creatures who constitute the family, to understand the

figures and work accomplished.

The work in Brooklyn has been among all classes, the rich as well One of our deaconesses, doing parish work, was assigned to a as poor. One of our deaconesses, doing parish work, was assigned to a certain district, and requested to call at every home and family. I wish she were here to picture the scene at one of the palatial homes which she found—a soul starving in the midst of wealth and luxury for the love of Christ, who had not entered a Church for years, and to whom no Church member had come to tell her about Jesus and his love.

Just a word about our Training-school. We were led to believe that perhaps in this department we are not fully appreciated. We claim that

our curriculum, which is prepared and taught by some of our most intelligent and capable ministers in Methodism, and teachers who are specialists in their line, stands second to none; and our trained workers, after the two years' course (none being allowed to receive a license unless they are able to pass on an average of at least 60 per cent), are well equipped for service.

We must not close without reference to our kindergarten. We feel more and more impressed that the way to reform our foreign element is to keep the children in the path of virtue. We have also a class of twenty Italian children, under the care of a deaconess, in one of our city

We are about to consummate a plan whereby our Brooklyn Church Society will provide a Home for our work, free of charge, which will, if carried out, be an important factor toward permanent success.

Mrs. C. H. Carhart, Conference Corresponding Secretary.

#### NEW MEXICO MISSION CONFERENCE.

The past year's work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in New Mexico has been, in some respects, the most encouraging in its history. Our Society has had so many discouraging things to come up in this particular field against the work that we feel a great victory has been won for righteousness. Our Society has mission schools in Las Vegas, conducted by Miss Snyder, and one at Las Cruces, conducted by Miss Tripp. These schools teach the industrial part of life and home, besides books and religion, as far as opportunities present themselves. Our work in Albuquerque, where Harwood Home is located, which was dedicated March 7, 1896, is in charge of two workers. School opened in September, and the teachers have such a number of pupils as the funds permit them to care for. They are expecting some twenty-five, or perhaps more, this school year, if the necessary tuition of \$50 per year for each pupil can be secured. It seems to us on the field that this is a wide-open door, wherein we may bring glory to our Savior by teaching these, who are so gladly coming for help, the great truths of salvation, as well as the art of home-making, which is greatly needed among this people. We wish our Managers could all see our beautiful structure— Harwood Home. It is a model of neatness, and reflects great credit on the persistence and untiring efforts of our beloved Mrs. Kent, as well as the efforts of our whole Society. Of course, our Home is not yet

entirely furnished, but the different Auxiliaries have done nobly in coming to the aid of the Society, and showing their concern in a very material way. We are expecting great things for the Master through the channels of these different schools, and feel to thank him for his direction of our Board, that it has been enabled to plant his work so well.

Menta S. Bovard, Corresponding Secretary.

## NORTHERN NEW YORK CONFERENCE.

The Annual Meeting of the Northern New York Conference Society was held in Oswego, New York, in April, 1896, and the reports of the several Conference officers showed an increase, both in the work and usefulness of the Conference Society. These reports were submitted in writ-

tulness of the Conference Society. These reports were submitted in writing, and made a clear and business-like presentation of the work.

The Anniversary Address was made by Dr. M. R. Webster, of Rochester, N. Y., presenting, in an eloquent manner, the condition of our country, and the demands made upon the Woman's Home Missionary Society. The reports of the work accomplished during the past year show an advance. Five Auxiliaries were organized, with an increased membership in the Conference of two hundred. The Treasurer's report showed an increase over the receipts of the previous year. The work of supplies also showed that our people had responded most generously in this regard. The result of having experienced officers at the head of the several departments has been very satisfactory, as the work is being several departments has been very satisfactory, as the work is being pushed along all lines.

The interests of our work were presented at the camp-meetings, either by the Conference officers or competent members of our Society, and the literature pertaining to the work of the Society was distributed

among our people at these meetings.

The district meetings have been an important feature in our Conference during the past year. Some of them were occasions of great spiritual interest. They were generally attended by some of the Conference officers, and the varied departmental work of our Society was explained to the people. Miss Mary L. Gilbert, Conference Manager of Deaconess Work, attended most of these meetings, and presented the claims of her department. She has confidence—based upon the pledges received-that provision will be made for the training of two new deaconesses.

The pledge of \$25 for the Children's Home Missions has been re-

deemed.

One hundred dollars toward the building of the new Home at Ashe-

One hundred dollars toward the building of the new Home at Asneville, N. C., is forthcoming.

Miss Alma Matthews presented the "Immigrant Work" in various parts of our Conference. It was a revelation to our people of the usefulness of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Two young women, during the last year, have made application for positions as missionaries, and been accepted; but have not as yet been assigned to fields of labor. One of these applicants is a graduate of Folts Mission Institute, a school established by the munificence of Mr. and Mrs. George P. Folts, at Herkimer, N. Y. This is a beautiful Christian school, where missionaries are trained for both home and for Christian school, where missionaries are trained for both home and foreign work. It is under the jurisdiction of our Church, and affords rare opportunity for those seeking a preparation for future missionary effort. This brief summary shows an advancement both in interest and results accomplished in our Conference during the past year.

Mrs. I. L. Hunt, Conference Corresponding Secretary.

#### NORTH INDIANA CONFERENCE.

The North Indiana Conference has recorded another prosperous year. As we review the work, we find ourselves filled with profound gratitude to our Heavenly Father for his constant and gracious presence. He has most signally blessed our efforts; for by his help we have again been

enabled to surpass any preceding year.

There have been organized during the year seven Auxiliaries, two Circles, and five Bands. A few of our Auxiliaries have not been able to quite equal their contributions of last year. We are thankful that during these stringent times none have felt compelled to temporarily relinquish the work. Many of the Societies have increased their amounts, and this, with the new organizations, makes a very gratifying showing in the Treasurer's report, being in advance of any previous year.

Contributions have been sent to Alaska; Bohemian Work, Chicago;

Dulce, New Mexico; Mothers' Jewels Home, and Washington Training-

school.

Our Conference Contingent Fund has more than provided for all

the expenses of Conference work.

During the year seven were added to our roll of life members.

Through our active, efficient Mite-box Secretary, nearly one thousand of those little, quiet pleaders have found their way into our homes, and are gathering up the fragments, which, we trust, in the hands of the Master, will prove to be the "twelve baskets full."

The Day of Humiliation and Prayer and Thank-offering Day were

observed, many Auxiliaries holding public meetings.
Five very successful District Meetings have been held, making many

friends for our Society, and inspiring our members.

A Union Anniversary Meeting of the Woman's Foreign and Woman's Home Missionary Societies was held during the session of our Annual Conference, at First Church. Richmond. Our General Secretary, Mrs. R. S. Rust, represented our Society before a large and enthusiastic audience. The addresses and the occasion proved to be those of rare enjoyment.

The Annual Meeting of our Conference was held at Muncie, with an unusually large attendance. The reports of the district officers were encouraging, showing live, earnest officers. The Convention was favored throughout with the presence of Miss Florence Jackman, of Bennett Home, and Mrs. F. V. Chapman, of Ritter Home, who rendered valuable service, which was highly appreciated.

Mrs. F. V. Chapman remained within the Conference for six weeks.

A part of the fruit of her excellent work is shown in the number of new Auxiliaries which have been organized. She also received in cash and pledges, for beneficiaries, to the amount of \$635.15.

As our members are becoming more conversant with the work, new members are being enlisted, and we anticipate the present year to excel Mrs. L. H. Bunyan, our past record.

Conference Corresponding Secretary.

## NORTH NEBRASKA CONFERENCE.

The cause of Home Missions is winning its way and gaining new friends in the Conference. On account of failure of crops the past year in part of our territory, and the general financial stringency, we have not made the advance we hoped to have made; but God has abundantly blest us this year, and the fields of golden grain bespeak for our work an onward movement. One of our districts has been organized into an

Association.

Our Anniversary was held in connection with the Annual Conference, October 7th. Our Annual Meeting was held in August. At this time, Mrs. Spurlock gave us an excellent address on the general working of the Society.

We are greatly encouraged by the presence of Mrs. Roberts, our Conference Organizer, who has been unable, on account of ill-health, to be with us the past year.

to be with us the past year.

In the strength of Him who said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me," we expect to go forward to victory. Mrs. Wm. Esplin, Corresponding Secretary.

## NORTH OHIO CONFERENCE.

This Conference Society has for years been so well organized, that the pushing into new fields has not been upon our hearts so much as maintaining the organizations already effected, and bringing individual workers to a keener sense of responsibility. However, we are enabled to report two new Auxiliaries, and an increased interest in the districts, which looks towards the organization of other Auxiliaries, and particularly an interest in the Supply Department. At our Annual Meeting, held in Bucyrus, last May, we had the pleasure of having Mrs. B. S. Potter with us, and regretted very much that the General Conference interfered us, and regretted very much that the General Conference interfered with making appointments with her for many places throughout the Conference, as we felt confident that, through her earnestness and zeal, many Auxiliaries might have been quickened and new ones organized. We were ably represented at the Conference by Rev. Dr. Dawson, and felt that if more of our minsters were equally interested, our work would be established in many more of our Churches throughout the Conference. Miss McIllmoyl, of Cleveland Deaconess Home, gave a very interesting talk on her work; and Miss Harvey, a deaconess from the same Home, was consecrated by Bishop Fowler. The financial report for the year is quite encouraging, as will be seen by referring to the Treasurer's column.

Mrs. Newell S. Albright, Corresponding Secretary.

#### NORTHERN SWEDISH MISSION CONFERENCE.

It is with a heart full of gratitude to God that I present the first report of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Northern Swedish Mission Conference—grateful that this good work has been inaugurated

among our Swedish sisters.

I must confess I have been a little discouraged sometimes with the slow progress, and felt, like the little "Injun," that we were "going ahead backward;" but "all is well that ends well." We closed our year so successfully that I feel confident the new year has great things in store for our Society in the far North.

During the year, closing with our Annual Meeting last month, we organized six Auxiliaries; and, with the bright prospects of this new year,

I have faith to believe that we can at least double the number.

September oth the Conference Society held its first Annual Meeting in St. Paul, Minn., when some important steps were taken to secure a firmer stand. We determined, by the help of God, to "hold the fort."

Though the prospects for success were very small, our Society decided to hold its Anniversary at the Annual Conference, convening in Duluth, one week later. The Corresponding Secretary was the only representative able to be present. Regardless of the small representation, it was a thorough success. We succeeded in getting six ministers to take part in the program, besides our beloved Bishop Warren, who gave us a very impressive missionary talk. The Conference Secretary, in his report to the paper, expresses the results in this manner: "If there were any pastors opposed to the Woman's Home Missionary Society before its anniversary, they were certainly converted at its close.

A few copies of the Quadrennial Report have been received and carefully distributed. We have, also, a few subscribers and enthusiastic readers of the Woman's Home Missions. We have made a few leaflets go a long way by reading them in our meetings.

Public missionary and temperance meetings have been held with

good success.

A few children have been furnished with suitable clothing and placed

in Sunday-school.

The territory of the Northern Swedish Mission Conference includes Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Michigan, and is densely populated by Swedes. They are business men, mechanics, and farmers. You can scarcely enter a business house, or walk a street, without hearing Swedish spoken. Our Methodist work with this people is only in its infancy; and I am glad that the Woman's Home Missionary Society has been organized in the beginning of Northern Swedish Methodism, that the child may grow up with the Church and flourish.

It was not a step to be taken thoughtlessly and without consideration, when, one year ago last month, this Auxiliary was organized at the close of the Annual Conference. Our people were already under such obligations to the Church that it required sacrifice, and a devoted loyalty to the Master and his cause, to make an added expense of time, labor, and money. I can assure you that most, if not all, of our Swedish sisters in the North, who wish to fulfill their obligations to the Missionary Society, must either sacrifice or earn their offerings.

Dear sisters, we need your prayers, your sympathy, and your aid in work.

(Mrs.) Genevieve Kallstadt,

this work.

Conference Corresponding Secretary.

## NORTHWEST IOWA CONFERENCE.

A résumé of the year's work shows much to encourage, although we have had no help from outside except the address, at our Conference Anniversary, by Mrs. Gould, of Upper Iowa Conference, whose presence and address were highly appreciated by all.

Each district has held a Convention this year. The Conference Society Annual Business Meeting was held in connection with one of these Conventions, near the central part of the Conference. At each of these

meetings, Systematic Beneficence received attention.

Thank-offering and Day of Humiliation and Prayer were observed by more Auxiliaries than ever before, and received more favor.

The Home Mission Reading Course has received special attention.

but illness of the Secretary prevented reporting at proper time.

Although every effort has been made to secure subscribers for Woman's Home Missions, we are unable to report advancement; so many have failed to renew because of financial embarrassment. But one hundred and fifteen homes are brightened by the Children's Home Missions.

The Conference Secretary serves as Bureau for our literature, and sends leaflets and helps on the topic of the "Concert Lesson" to forty

Auxiliaries each month.

Stickney, Jesse Lee, Mothers' Jewels, and Peck Homes have received beneficiary aid. Paying the salary of a missionary has not only aided the General Fund, but has given breadth of sympathy and intelligence to our people.
Our Young People's, Mission Supplies, and Mite-box Secretaries

have each done good service, with results corresponding.

With broadened knowledge and experience in this work, and greater. more reliant faith in God, we thank him for the past, and trust him for Mrs. J. P. Negus. the coming year. Conference Corresponding Secretary.

#### OHIO CONFERENCE.

We find, on looking over the work of this Conference during the past year, an increase over that of the preceding year.

While a number of Auxiliaries show an increase of membership and of work done, a few have sent no report. One new Auxiliary is reported. A large amount of supplies has been distributed, and a number of beneficiaries reported.

We have one Auxiliary which reported one hundred members and

\$100 dues, and \$10 Contingent Fund.

There are several flourishing Young Ladies' Circles, Mission Bands, and Bands of Jewels. The report of some of these younger organizaand Bands of Jewels. The report of some of these younger organizations might be an inspiration to the older ones. One in particular, the "Golden Rule Band," of girls of about sixteen, raised \$89.42. For three years past, they have been supporting a girl at Ritter Home.

The special lines of work have been directed to Albuquerque, Unalaska, New York Immigrant Home, Mothers' Jewels Home, Stickney Home, Ritter Home, Bohemian Mission, and King Home.

Several districts have held District Meetings.

The Annual Meeting of this Conference was held at Gallipolis, May

20 and 21, 1896.
The officers find many Auxiliaries which need strengthening, and also openings for many new ones.

We trust we may be able to report a successful year for 1896-97.

Mrs. F. A. Sells, Conference Corresponding Secretary.

## OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

We are happy to announce an increased interest in the work of our beloved Woman's Home Missionary Society. The coming of Rev. Mar-tindale, of Wichita District, Kansas, and his address at our Conference Annual Meeting, greatly added to our numbers. His enthusiasm so animated our friends that we hope to have a score of Auxiliaries to report at the next Annual Meeting.

MRS. J. M. Bennington,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

#### OREGON CONFERENCE.

The Annual Meeting of Oregon Conference Society was held in Centenary Church, Portland, September 16, 1896.

Reports show a decrease in membership and funds over last year. This is largely due to the great depression in finances, and embarrassments from Church indebtedness in this Conference. Many charges feel that their first work must be to meet their own local claims.

The Supply Department has never been so magnanimous in aiding

the frontier and needy charges. A valuable box was also sent to Alaska.

The Portland District has been organized and well-officered. The Conference has taken three beneficiaries-two for Stickney Home: one

for Alaska.

We pray the General Board, as heretofore, to kindly allow us to retain one-half our dues, to be used in our own Conference. We are struggling and praying, hoping in the near future to rank among the best Conference Societies. Mrs. J. W. Bushong,

Conference Corresponding Secretary.

## PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCE.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Philadelphia Conference sends greetings! The Annual Meeting of this Conference was held at Rheboth Church, Frankford, October 8, 1895. Thursday, October 15, 1896, the Society met again, at Madison Street Church, Chester, to give the results of the year's labor. We were favored with an ideal day, and the largest atendance we have ever had.

The past year, death has not been permitted to enter our ranks but once. Miss Elizabeth Humes, matron of our Deaconess Home, who had been with us long enough to win our affection and esteem for her beautiful Christian character, succumbed to disease, and passed away

July 21, 1896.

Every year we are becoming more familiar with the work, consequently are more efficient in accomplishing the desired results. Donation-day, which has become a fixture at the Deaconess Home, was kindly remembered by friends. Our Conference Anniversary was held in March, and was well attended, considering the very stormy day. Mrs. G. Mans-Mrs. E. Turney, Superintendent of our Deaconess Home, made addresses, and were much appreciated by the audience. The Deaconess Home, under the motherly care of our Superintendent, Mrs. E. Turney, is a center of influence and good work. Our deaconesses, through con-Secration, prayer, faith, and practice, are embodying the spirit of the Master, in ministering to the poor, the ignorant, the sick, and dying. The adjoining property, so kindly donated to us by Colonel Bennett, brings us a yearly income. We hope, soon as practicable, to utilize this building, that many may receive benefit. We are still delighted with the success of the lunch-room at the Deaconess Home, managed by two of our elect ladies.

The Immigrant Home is filling a mission in the lower part of the returned missionary from Africa, is truly an accession to the Home. Steamers are met regularly, but the work is not confined there. The evenings are utilized, and children are gathered in for instruction.

Our work in the Conference is under the care of committees, who

are doing the work assigned them most acceptably. Mrs. H. H. Kynett

has been appointed Superintendent of Young People's Work. She has entered upon her work so enthusiastically that we discover we have secured the one fitted to fill the position of organizer of both old and young people's Societies. Our Society was well represented at the Deaconess Convention, held at Ocean Grove in July. District Meetings have been held during the year, under the management of District Secretaries. Meetings were held at three different camp-meetings, and each was a success. The Eliza Goff Endowment Fund is gradually growing. Our Treasurer reports for the fiscal year, closing July 15, 1896: Receipts, \$4,940.63, with a balance of \$200; the Supply Department reports a large increase

Mrs. M. B. Stevens, Conference Corresponding Secretary.

#### PITTSBURG CONFERENCE.

The Home Missionary Society in our Conference is on a much more substantial basis than ever before, though we can not report as many

new organizations as in some previous years.

One marked feature of Home Missionary work is the ever-increasing enthusiasm and energy displayed by those who intelligently study and comprehend it. It is becoming, more and more, "foreign" missionary work on "home" soil. The wisdom of the General Executive Board, in allowing half the membership dues of the Pittsburg City Auxiliaries to be retained for the use of the Deaconess Home, is shown by the fact that, beside the amount thus retained, the membership dues amount to almost one hundred dollars more than last year. One thousand dollars has been paid on the debt of the Deaconess Home, thereby reducing our indebtedness on that institution to \$3,000. More money has been contributed for "Coke work" than any previous year, and our Society employed two missionaries in that field, during the summer months, with marked success. But while we thank God, and take courage for what has been accomplished, we are not yet satisfied. Our aim is, an Auxiliary in every charge in the Conference, every woman and girl a member of the Society, and every member on fire with the desire and determination to win and hold our own blessed land for God, believing that this is the way to winning the whole wide world for Jesus.

Mrs. M. J. Schover, Conference Corresponding Secretary.

## PUGET SOUND CONFERENCE.

The Annual Meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of

Puget Sound Conference met in Vancouver, September 4, 1896.

The presence of our beloved Organizer, Mrs. I. G. Whitfield, with the plesence of the beloved Organizer, Mrs. 1. G. Withleid, with her cheery words of encouragement and counsel, added much to the interest of the meeting. We are greatly rejoiced to be able to report marked progress in the work in this Conference, and words of appreciation of our work come in from all quarters. The Treasurer's report showed an advance of about \$100 over last year. The success of our work is largely due to the untiring efforts of our beloved President, Mrs. Eliza C. Sulliger.

Our work for the coming year will be the support of two beneficiaries in Stickney Home; also, ten dollars for the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school at Washington, D. C.

Our newly-elected officers are as follows: President, Mrs. Eliza C. Sulliger, Chehulic, Wash.: Conference Secretary, Vina Irene Clark, Centralia, Wash.; Treasurer, Mrs. W. S. Harrington, Seattle, Wash.
VINA IRENE CLARK, Conference Corresponding Secretary.

#### ROCK RIVER CONFERENCE.

The work of the Conference Society within its own limits has necessarily occupied much of our time and effort, and made for us a very busy year. (See Report of the Elizabeth E. Marcy Home.) Much strength was, of necessity, brought to bear upon this project; but the yearly program of our leading Auxiliaries will show that the cultivation of the

field at large has not been neglected.

No special Organizer has been employed this year; and, while the work may be said to steadily grow in appreciation, only a few new Auxiliaries have been formed. Mrs. Crawford, of Williamsport, well-beloved and most acceptable in the work, while on a visit to Dixon, an important charge, formed a very promising Society. Our Mite-box and Supply Departments have both been vigorously worked by efficient Secretaries.

The medal and diploma awarded the Society for its World's Fair exhibit were received early in the summer. These awards, as set forth in the diploma, are "for a good exhibit of literature, photographs, paintings, and framed tables, showing schools and Homes; schools for the freed women of the South, where industries are taught; and similar schools for the poor white girls and Indians. The general philanthropic and religious aims of the Society are evidenced by results set forth in reports.

The usual number of public and Anniversary meetings have been held. The Conference Anniversary Address, by Mrs. W. E. Wilkinson, of Evanston, was pronounced to be a remarkably full and rarely meritorious

setting forth of the Home Missionary work.

E. E. MARCY, Corresponding Secretary.

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE.

It is with gratitude to God that we present our report for the past year-the year which ends the first decade of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in the Southern California Conference. This year's receipts quadruple that of the first year, and, notwithstanding the pressure of the hard times and failure of fruit and crops within our borders, we have, during the past twelve months, met all our pledges, and, in addition, have sent the support of a missionary to Albuquerque, have supported a beneficiary in New Mexico and another in Alaska, and are now introducing the new and popular feature of deaconess work; and this has been done while many Societies have been obliged to withdraw from the field, or borrow the money to carry on work already begun. To God

be all the praise and glory!

Chinese work has been carried on successfully, both in San Diego and Los Angeles. The first Chinese woman ever converted in Los Angeles was converted under the labors of Mrs. Davis, our missionary in Chinatown, this year. Through the magnificent liberality of Mrs. W. C. DePauw, we have rented a Deaconess Home, which was formally opened September 26th. Miss Winifred Spaulding has been sent out by the General Society to superintend the work, and Miss Day, a graduate of the Chicago Training-school, is her co-laborer. We are beginning in a very small way: but the women of the Southern California Conference believe that this deaconess work is a greater movement for the Methodist women of America than their admission to the General Conference possibly could be; for the deaconess, like a white-winged angel of mercy, is moving through all our great cities, scattering smiles and sunshine, cordials and blessings, among the sick, the sorrowing, the destitute, every day in the year and every year in the quadrennium. We are glad that these few women, in this far-away southwest corner of the United States, although with a small beginning, are keeping abreast of the progress of the age, espousing this cause, and grasping this greatest idea of the century.

While the progress of the Society in membership has not increased as much as the preceding year, the collections show an advance absolutely

marvelous in these times of financial distress.

During the year we have had the rare fortune of a visit to this coast of our National President, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, and two of the general officers, Mrs. Anna Kent and Mrs. J. H. Bayliss. These women inspired the hearts of the workers wherever they went, and made many new friends

for our Society. The results of their visit can not be measured.

It has been a great grief to us that our honored and deeply beloved President, Mrs. D. M. Welch, on account of ill health, has been compelled to give up active work. We still retain her upon the Executive Board as Honorary President, and still have the benefit of her wise counsel upon all matters pertaining to the work so dear to her heart, and we pray that, with renewed health, we may welcome her again to the active ranks. Mrs. E. W. Caswell, Conference Corresponding Secretary.

#### ST. LOUIS CONFERENCE.

Not as comes the conqueror, with crowns of victory and laurels of fame, do we of the St. Louis Conference come; neither do we come as a defeated army, with trailing colors and mournful dirge. At the last ses-

deteated army, with training colors and mournful dirge. At the last session of Conierence, we were more systematically organized, and hope thereby to do more efficient work.

During this "gold and silver" campaign, we "Westerners" find a woful lack of either contending metal, and our Home Missionary work is almost daily in demand. Cyclones and floods have kept many of our Societies busy, "helping" their nearest neighbors. Owing to a long, severe spell of sickness, I myself have been unable to carry out my plans, however well laid or otherwise they may have been. We are starting over again, and are hopeful as ever for our work.

Many of our own ministers, on account of storm or heat, are demanding present help, and already we are sending supplies to our own fields. With steady march of willing feet, we are coming to the front.

Allie Toland Criss, Conference Corresponding Secretary.

## SOUTHERN ILLINOIS CONFERENCE

Our Conference is almost a Missionary Conference itself. Of the 160 charges, over one-half of the pastors receive less than \$500 salary, and these are usually men with large families. We have a Domestic Missionary Society within the Conference to help supply the deficiency of pastors on poor charges.

There are large portions of country, in different places in our Conference, where Protestant preaching is never heard. There are men willing to preach, but how can they preach unless they are sent, and

how can they be sent without the means to send them?

Yet, notwithstanding all this, we are willing to do what we can for the cause, but do not feel that we can do any special work outside of MRS. J. D. CRENSHAW, our own Conference this coming year. Corresponding Secretary.

## SOUTHWEST KANSAS CONFERENCE.

We have been confronted with many difficulties and discouragements from the beginning of our work in this Conference, but have a more encouraging and hopeful outlook for the year upon which we have just

entered.

The Annual Meeting was held the last week in June, at which time we determined to deviate somewhat from our former course, and, instead of pledging \$200 for the General Fund debt, we decided to expend that amount in extending the work of Home Missions within the bounds of our own Conference. To aid in this work, Mrs. M. J. Hadley was made Conference Organizer, and will present the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society at every available point in the Conference, organizing new Societies wherever practicable, and will render whatever assistance she may be able to Auxiliaries that are feeble or discouraged; doing Woman's Home Missions; and, with the aid of the Conference officers, seek to establish the Conference Society on a better foundation. We are hoping great things for the cause during the present year, believing that, with increased membership, interest, and energy, there will be given an impetus to the missionary spirit that will result in greater effort along all lines of Church and missionary work. To this end we are laboring. distributing Home Missionary intelligence, through the free use of leaflets and papers, wherever there is any hope of reaching the people and securing the organization of new Auxiliaries. We hope to double our present number by another Annual Meeting.

Mrs. W. J. Martindale, Conference Corresponding Secretary.

#### TROY CONFERENCE.

The work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society has been carried forward faithfully. District meetings have been held on all but one district, and two were held on Troy District. These have been most dedistrict, and two were need on Troy District. These have been most delightful occasions, full of interest, and an inspiration to the workers. We have been fortunate in having with us Mrs. Anna Kent and Mrs. Mary Fisk Park: also Miss Mathews, of the Immigrant work in New York, and Mrs. George, of the Watts de Peyster Home, Tivoli, N. Y.,—who gave to the workers new inspiration, and won many friends to the cause.

At the Conference Anniversary, the Home and Foreign Societies united. Miss Alma Mathews gave the address for our Society. The church was filled, and all were delighted and interested as she told of her work among the foreign people who flock to our shores from all parts.

work among the foreign people who flock to our shores from all parts of the world. At our Round Lake Anniversary, we were again aided by two of our own werkers. Miss Philo and Miss Ida Lewis, who were given the morning session. Both gave very encouraging reports of their work among the colored people, especially of the good influence of the girls, who went out from the Industrial Homes, upon their own people, Dr. J. E. Price, of Sing Sing, gave the address at the afternoon session, much to the satisfaction of all present.

Earnest workers have done good service, as will be seen in the results. Two students have been supported in the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school; two beneficiaries in Stickney Home; two at Morristown, Tenn.; one in Ritter, one in the Watts de Peyster, and one in the Jesse Lee Home in Alaska; and one in the Apache Mission, New Mexico. Miss Agnes Sowle, the newly-appointed missionary to Alaska, went from our Conference, making the twelfth to go into missionary or deaconess

work from our Conference. Although not all that we desired has been accomplished, yet we are grateful for the measure of success that has attended our efforts, and we take up the duties of another year with courage. trusting that He who has been our Helper in the past, will be our Strong-hold in the future. Mrs. E. W. SIMPSON,

Conference Corresponding Secretary.

#### UPPER IOWA CONFERENCE.

We have a record of advance for Upper Iowa Conference this year.

Mrs. Brush, Conference President, spoke twenty times to different congregations, and organized three Auxiliaries and one Band.

Mrs. Gould, National Training-school Conference Manager, organized two Auxiliaries and revived one; Mrs. Rule, District President, organized two Auxiliaries; Mrs. Wilcox, a pastor's wife, organized on her husband's charge; and Mrs. Dickman, a friend of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, organized an Auxiliary.

Our greatest gain in the past year has been in women with a mind

Five District Annual Meetings, the Conference Annual Meeting, one Camp-meeting Anniversary, and the Conference Anniversary were Good reports; excellent papers, full of missionary information; and inspiring addresses from some of our ablest pastors and consecrated

women, made these meetings profitable and interesting.

Deaconess work has a strong hold on the hearts of our women, as evidenced by the fact that they voted, at the Annual Meeting, to pay \$300 next year to support three students in our Training-school; also to pay the salary of the missionary at Bennett Industrial Home. We hope soon to have deaconess work established in our Conference. There is a demand for it at several points. Miss Rosina West, of Waterloo, entered the Training-school at Washington this year to prepare for deaconess work. Several other young ladies in our Conference are anxious to take the training.

More than enough money was raised, above dues, to redeem our

pledges made last year to Bennett and Asheville Industrial Homes.

Through the efforts of our President, considerable interest was awakened through the Conference in the Industrial Home at Unalaska. MARGARET ALSPAUGH, Conference Secretary.

## UTAH MISSION.

It is with pleasure that we make our first annual report of the work done in this strange mission-field: for the cause of Home Missions is

slowly winning its way, and gaining new friends within our borders.

We can not report as much progress in the work of our missions as we would like to do, but there have been many depressing influences and a trying year financially.

In 1895 we had one Auxiliary, with a membership of ten, composed of Presbyterians, Baptists, Congregationalists, Episcopalians, Mormons, and Methodists. We now have five Auxiliaries, with a total membership of 113, and about forty subscribers to Woman's Home Missions.

We have a few Jewels enrolled, and have on hand mite-boxes with which to begin systematic work, and hope by this means to be able to collect a good many dimes that we would not be able to secure in any

other way.

This field is largely missionary, and much-needed missionary work ought to be done right here in our midst; so that we have done but little for other fields, although some supplies have been sent out of the State from Salt Lake City. Several changes have occurred in the officers of the Society in the various Auxiliaries, so that reports have not come to me as regularly and as accurately as they would have done otherwise. We conducted our first Anniversary in connection with the Annual Meeting of this Mission, September 13th.

We trust, as the needs and efficiency of the Woman's Home Missionary Society become known, that obstacles will disappear, and all our pastors will be in hearty sympathy with our work, so that Organizers, the coming year, will be able to push the work more rapidly and thor-

oughly.

Some Christian sacrifice has been made in order to sustain one or two of the Societies, but this has been done willingly and cheerfully. The help that was received from Akron Society was fully appreciated. You who live in the East know but little of the struggles in this far-away mission-field; and while this may be a meager report, it is a grand start for our work, and I know I am safe in saying Utah will yet send you great reports if the workers are sustained in this field a few more years. Mrs. Adda M. Snow, Corresponding Secretary.

## VERMONT CONFERENCE.

The year has been one of seed-sowing in our Conference. The ingathering has been less than we hoped for, due, largely, to the unusual financial depression which has prevailed, and which has been most keenly

felt by our rural towns.

Our Annual Meeting was held October 31st to November 1st, and was one of unusual merit and lasting influence. At this meeting, the resignation of the Conference President, Mrs. E. A. Barrett, was reluctantly accepted. Mrs. Barrett had served faithfully and well for seven years. Mrs. A. H. Webb was elected to the office, and has won many friends for the cause by her gracious presentation of the work, and her untiring devotion to the Society. Mrs. Webb has given ten addresses; Mrs. Parmelee, four; Mrs. Enright, five; Mrs. O. D. Clapp, Mrs. Barrett, and Rev. W. R. Davenport, one each; and Rev. L. P. Tucker has spoken several times for us.

We have been most fortunate in securing speakers from outside our Conference. Mrs. A. C. Clark, who came to us for our Annual Meeting, gave three addresses. Mrs. T. J. Everett gave the address at our Conference Anniversary, and came later to the Claremont Junction Camp-meeting. Mrs. Wells, of New Hampshire Conference, spoke at Northfield Camp-meeting, and Mrs. G. W. Mansfield at Morrisville and Sheldon Meetings. Mrs. Dr. T. P. Frost, of Baltimore, spoke at Claremont Camp-meeting of the Reading Circle Work, in which she is so much

interested.

At our Annual Conference, a School of Methods was held each day. Children's meetings were held at Conference, and at some of our campmeetings, which were addressed by Mrs. W. S. Smithers. Several Mothers' Jewels were pledged as the result.

We were allowed some time at the Summer Grove meeting of the

Vermont Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and were represented by Mrs. A. B. Enright and Rev. L. P. Tucker.

Sub-district meetings have been held in St. Albans and St. Johnsbury Districts. The earnest and efficient President of Montpelier District held a District Convention and five Sub-district meetings, and has

another planned.

another planned.

Our Mite-box Sccretary has been seriously ill all the year, and this work has suffered in consequence. Mrs. W. S. Smithers has done excellent work as Mite-box Secretary of St. Johnsbury District. Elected to her office in April, her first work was with her own Junior Epworth League, to whom she gave fourteen bee-hives. Early in July, the opening of these hives yielded \$11. These wide-awake Juniors had, a short time before, given \$5 to our Conference Treasurer. The Junior Epworth League at Brattleboro gave \$10, and that of Windsor contributed \$5 for our beneficiaries. We are hoping that our girls in Stickney and Jesse Lee Homes may be supported by our Juniors next year. Four have been made life members, and money given for another. Several who are not members of our Society have contributed generously. not members of our Society have contributed generously.

A legacy of \$20 has been received from the estate of Mrs. Hannah

Beckley.

A new Circle has been formed at Irasburg, and one reorganized at the Claremont Camp-meeting. Two Auxiliaries have been reorganized. Williamstown made a complete outfit for Hannah Thomas, our beneficiary Williamstown made a complete outfit for Hannah Thomas, our beneficiary at Stickney Home. From Barre and Montpelier, good material was sent for clothing for our girl in the Jesse Lee Home. Good supplies have been sent from other towns to Alaska, our Southern Homes, the New England Deaconess and Innuigrants' Home in Boston; but much serviceable clothing remains, which is much better fitted for Dakota and other portions of our Northwest than for our Southland. Churches not having a Woman's Home Missionary Society are eager to help, and interest is often awakened while packing a barrel which results in the organization of an Auxiliary. We are hoping more appeals from our needy preachers may come our way in the new year upon which we are entering. May the dear Lord give "the increase" to all the seed-sowing of his busy workers!

Conference Corresponding Secretary. Conference Corresponding Secretary.

#### WEST NEBRASKA CONFERENCE.

The Annual Meeting of the Conference Society of the West Nebraska Conference was held October 1st, at Ogallala. A large representation of members was present, and a very interesting meeting was held. Dr. M. C. B. Mason opened the meeting with a most earnest and fervent

prayer for the success of our work.

We were honored in having with us Mrs. Bishop McCabe, who gave an address on the general work of the Society, dwelling more particularly on the Immigrant work in New York City.

Mr. B. Spurlock was present, and gave some particulars, which were very interesting, concerning the history and organization of the Mothers' Jewels Home, and the training of the children under its care.

The Treasurer's and Corresponding Secretary's reports showed an

increasing interest, and more hopeful outlook for our work.

There has been considerable interest taken in the mite-jugs during the year. They have been distributed, not only in the Homes, but to the Junior Leagues, and in one case the Sunday-school took them, giving a collection once a month. The Conference Society has a room in the Mothers' Jewels Home which it is furnishing. The Kearney Auxiliary placed a tablet on the door, with the name of the room, and the name of Mrs. Collins, as Organizer, engraved upon it. The Society has been adding to its funds by selling the "Aunt Jemima Baking Powder." We find it a very good article. Miss Matlida Reeves, of the Kearney Auxiliary, has gone to Washington, D. C., to enter the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school, to prepare herself for a deaconess. During the session of Conference, Mrs. Bishop McCabe organized an Auxiliary at Ogallala, which they called the Rebecca McCabe Woman's Home Missionary Society of Ogallala. Mrs. McCabe's interest in our work was very much appreciated, and her visit

to us will long be remembered.

Boxes of supplies, containing excellent clothing, have been received on all the districts during the year. In a measure, this aid will need to be continued, although the outlook is brighter than a year ago. We owe a debt of gratitude to the General Organization, through whose beneficence so many were carried through weary days of discouragements, and who, by its support, made it possible for the pastors to be retained upon their charges, and the Church services to be continued to the people.

Mrs. E. Smith, Corresponding Secretary.

## WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

We are glad to mark quite an improvement in the West Texas Conference this year. Our Annual Meeting was held in connection with the Annual Conference, at Calvert, Texas. My heart was made glad to have each minister promise aid to our work this year. I have organized five of our districts, and held our meetings during the summer, which were well attended. There have been nine new Auxiliaries organized this year, and older ones strengthened. This gives us a total of fifty-seven Auxiliaries in our Conference. I have spent the year trying to raise the annual dues, soliciting subscribers for both papers, and collecting funds for our Training and Industrial Home.

We are thankful to say that we are growing in love with the Woman's We are thankful to say that we are growing in roce with the Home Missionary Society. We are not yet at the place we desire; but we are working, watching, trusting, and praying for the day to come that we will have a school for our girls. We have four Mothers' Jewels Bands just organized, and they promise to do well.

Mrs. E. S. Spriggs, Corresponding Secretary.

#### WEST WISCONSIN CONFERENCE.

The work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in the West Wisconsin Conference moves slowly amid many difficulties. During this year especially, some things have transpired to retard the work. Still, we have worked, and watched, and done the best we possibly could for the interests of the Society. We are getting a firmer hold of the minds and hearts of our people; so our hope is strong for the coming years. While I can not report so many Auxiliaries and members as last year, yet our finances are equal to those of the last report. On account of financial depression, three Auxiliaries have disbanded—or rather suspended operations until times are better. As a Conference, we have cared for our beneficiary in Alaska. The Platteville Auxiliary has supported a beneficiary in the King Home at Marshall. Texas. Menomonie, working through the Epworth League, has cared for a girl in the Watts de Peyter Leaductiel. ster Industrial Home and School.

We have been mindful of the needy ones on the frontier, and have

forwarded to them a number of barrels of supplies, which were of good material. We expect, before very long, to come into possession of some valuable property, which will enable us to carry on our work in this

Conference more efficiently.

Bishop Walden and Rev. M. Ostrom, of Milwaukee, gave very able addresses at our Conference Anniversary, in which they presented many facts concerning the great necessity of missionary work in our large cities and in the Southland.

Mrs. M. Benson,

Conference Corresponding Secretary.

## WILMINGTON CONFERENCE.

We are glad to report for the Wilmington Conference continued and increasing interest in the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. This is shown by the ready response to appeals for help, re-

gardless of religion or race.

Auxiliaries have been organized in two important charges by our Conference and District Presidents. Valuable supplies have been shipped to the South, as well as to the frontier. Our Secretary of Supplies, Mrs. H. F. Pickels, has received a number of most pathetic letters from those whom we have helped in other years; but she has been most loyal to our General Secretary, and sent only with her approval or through the regular channel. The Secretaries of the Reading Circle, Mite-boxes, Home Missions, and Literature have been untiring in their efforts to increase interest in their respective departments, and report success.

The work of the young people, in Bands, Circles, and Leagues, includes both sexes. One Band, the Junior Band of Grace Church, supports a beneficiary in the Jesse Lee Home. We voted a special offering for the support of Miss Page's work in New Orleans

for the support of Miss Page's work in New Orleans.

Stickney Home has been cared for, and most interesting letters have been received from the girls, telling of their work, and showing their appreciation of the training they receive from the Superintendents, Mr.

and Mrs. Stark.

To the officers of the Wilmington District, we are indebted for two of the most profitable District Meetings held since our organization. The presence of Mrs. Clara Roach, of Washington, D. C., made the Annual Meeting an occasion of unusual interest. The evening session was devoted entirely to the work of the young people. After the reports were read, the Flag Festival, as prepared by Mrs. Ingham, was most beautifully carried out. beautifully carried out.

Annual reports, leaflets, and especially those relating to "Systematic Beneficence," have been distributed throughout the entire Conference. A legacy of \$500 was left by will to the Home Missionary Society by Mr.

John Wise.

The greatest interest has been shown in the establishment of a Deaconess Home in the city of Wilmington. Almost one year ago. Miss Watkins, from the Buffalo Deaconess Home, began her work in our city. It was soon found that a Home was a necessity, and a Committee was appointed by the Conference Board to secure a suitable house for the purpose. This was soon found, through the kindness of Mr. W. E. Hawkins, who placed a house, conveniently located, and free of rent, at the disposal of the Committee, who soon had it furnished, and it was formally opened on the evening of June 25th. We are glad to report that the funds for furnishing the Home and the deaconess support that the funds for furnishing the Home and the deaconess support that the funds for furnishing the Home and the deaconess support that the funds for furnishing the Home and the deaconess support that the funds for furnishing the Home and the deaconess support that the funds for furnishing the Home and the deaconess support that the funds for furnishing the Home and the deaconess support that the funds for furnishing the Home and the deaconess support that the funds for furnishing the Home and the deaconess support that the funds for furnishing the Home and the deaconess support that the funds for furnishing the Home and the deaconess support that the funds for furnishing the Home and the deaconess support that the funds for furnishing the Home and the deaconess support that the funds for furnishing the Home and the deaconess support that the funds for furnishing the Home and the deaconess support that the funds for furnishing the Home and the deaconess support that the funds for furnishing the Home and the deaconess support the funds for furnishing the Home and the deaconess for funds for furnishing the Home and the deaconess funds for port have been freely donated, and we have not availed ourselves of the privilege of retaining half of the annual dues for the purpose.

The year has not passed without the falling tear for those who have gone from us—called from labor to reward. The sudden and unexpected death of Rev. Merritt Hulburd, S. T. D., pastor of Grace Church, Wilmington, is, to us, an especial affliction and an irreparable loss. He who was our friend and adviser has been promoted to the higher service, MRS. EMMA L. WELDIN, Conference Corresponding Secretary. where "Christ himself doth rule."

#### WISCONSIN CONFERENCE.

The work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Wis-

consin Conference is moving forward, but very slowly.

The Conference Committee for Benevolences said of us last year: "The Woman's Home Missionary Society is still in the field. The devoted women are doing effective work within the borders of our own Conference, and extending their labors beyond, for the relief of the sufferers in the drought and fire-stricken fields of the North and West, to the full extent of their resources. We commend this enterprise to the attention and sympathy of our Churches. The work they are doing is vital to the future of the cause of Christ in our own land, and upon the success of that cause in our land hinges, to a large extent at least, the speedy evangelization of the world." They reported 58 contributing Societies, and collections aggregating \$3,545.

We are doing all we can to push the work. Some of our Auxiliaries have taken on new energy. Woman's Home Missions is read and appreciated by many. Several ladies have promised to canvass for subscribers. Children's Home Missions is being introduced, and subscrip-

tions taken for it.

A Corresponding Secretary in Milwaukee writes that they have sent for Home Missionary Reading-books, and will soon have a Reading Circle. I have many calls for leaflets and facts regarding our work.

Our Conference Anniversary was a pleasant occasion. Short addresses were given by Rev. Wm. Clark, Rev. Re Gaha, Mrs. Re Qua, and the Conference Corresponding Secretary.

Mrs. B. S. Porter was with us during our Conference Camp-meeting at Byron, and presented Woman's Home Missionary work with her

usual eloquence and enthusiasm.

Nearly three hundred dollars in cash has been raised this year, but some of this has been used in local work; \$17 came from a Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor in our Methodist Episcopal Church, Sheboygan, which is to go to Unalaska, Alaska, and we hope letters from Miss Agnes Soule, matron of the Jesse Lee Home, will increase the interest in that work, so that more money will come from the same source. A large amount of supplies was sent to Oklahoma.

Mite-boxes were opened in one of our Auxiliaries, and the contents

amounted to \$5.

We shall look for greater success another year.

MRS. RUBY W. BATES, Conference Corresponding Secretary.

#### WYOMING CONFERENCE.

The progress made during the year in Wyoming Conference, while not nearly all that could be wished, is very encouraging.

The year has seemed to pass all too speedily for the accomplishment

of great things, admonishing us that "what we do, must be done quickly." Our Conference Annual Meeting, held at Binghamton, N. Y., was replete with interest. Rev. W. G. Ward gave us a delightful address,

the evening preceding our full day of work and service.

Bishop Vincent addressed a very large audience.

The District Secretaries gave encouraging reports of their work.

The District Meetings have been full of interest and profit.

The Secretary gave a full report of the work of the Society.

The subscriptions to Home Missions have been largely increased in a few Auxiliaries.

Alaska

Large quantities of supplies have been sent to various places, Alaska coming in for her share.

One of our elect ladies, Mrs. P. L. Bennett, noted for her generosity, responded to an earnest appeal, and contributed \$500 to the Jesse Lee Home; also defrayed the traveling expenses of Miss Rinch from Brooklyn to Unalaska—amount, \$250.

Our pledges have all been met.

The Thank-offering Service has been observed in nearly every Auxiliary.

Mrs. Geo. B. Kulp, Conference Corresponding Secretary.

# REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

## OF THE EDITOR OF "WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONS."

January 1, 1897, Woman's Home Missions will be thirteen years of age.

It was begun with reasonable grounds of success. It was begun in faith; it has continued in faith. It was a child of Providence. It came to meet a want of the Society. That want was, first, a medium of communication between the members of the Society; second, to make sentiment for the need of missions in our own land.

Not too soon, nor too late, this child of Providence went forth on its mission unembarrassed. It has made progress steadily. Beginning

with 600 subscribers, it has now nearly 16,000 on its roll.

The last years have seen an advance. With the expansion of the work, the paper, whose office it is to serve the work, must also expand. A great movement in the Protestant world has adopted the Woman's Home Missionary Society as one of its chief arms of support. The vastness of the work, the deep interest of the details, the life of the workers down in the mines of humanity in this great deaconess movement, have added more in quality than in quantity to your paper. Four pages, enriched by the history of each month among the suffering and sintul, the redeemed more than the redeemed more tha

penitent and the redeemed, must have given you all a new interest in your own paper.

It will be for the Board of Managers to decide whether we shall still

continue four little pages for this large and interesting department.

It is to be hoped that you will legislate for all the space possible, and yet keep within the bounds of a just economy. Much is said of adorning our pages with pictures. I concede all the value of pictures; but they are somewhat expensive, and, more than that, take the room which a paragraph, much needed, might fill. For children—pictures, certainly; and you reply, "We are only children of larger growth." I am not ready to

apply that to either earnest men or larger growth. I am not ready to apply that to either earnest men or women.

I appeal to you, busy women, who have much to do for God, do you not want columns crowded with good, strong, practical matter, that will give you aid in your work? Ornate and beautiful headings, well-proportioned spacing, and an occasional picture, you would prefer. When these are arranged, we must settle with our articles still on hand—and especially with the compositor. That imperious individual says, as he makes up the form: "Mrs. Editor, your paper is too small for compartments. There is not room for your spacing and your head-lines and partments. There is not room for your spacing and your head-lines and your mottoes. If these go in, something else—a Conference report, per-haps, or an important item—must go out." What would be done then. with a picture, which would cost the eviction of a whole colony of items?

The editor sees a disappointed worker, hunting for the report or paragraph she has sent, and says to the compositor, "It must all go in."

I wish we had room for at least one inspiring article every issue. How useful the last August paper has been for that reason! I should like our workers to have a conference, and say how they get their best

courage and fervor and energy.

Confronted by the responsibility of holding our country for Christ. the floods of ungodliness rolling in on every side, we need to learn how to think God's thoughts after him, before we can do them. We need to be consecrated in our reading. We need inspiring reading. We shall have it in small measure; but as large as the space in our own paper,

Woman's Home Missions.

I remember how, in the beginning, I was told an editor's business is partly to praise his paper. Words of praise have come through this passing year, as before from others. Words of praise are good—we are grateful for them; but criticism is also helpful.

If less space is given us in these days of financial straits, we may be reminded that we now have a much larger paper than some other Societies. The eight-page paper of the Congregationalist Home Missionary women is one of the richest in matter and smallest in size. The Baptist Woman's Home Missionary paper numbers twelve pages; price, 50 cents. The Methodist women ought not to be excelled in the quality of their paper; and the best quality—is it not this; a perfect adaptation to the end for which it exists?

Mrs. H. C. McCabe, Editor.

#### OF THE EDITOR OF "CHILDREN'S HOME MISSIONS."

Because "what you do to little children, matters the most." the establishing of the little paper marks an era in the growth and influence of our Society. That it is an important addition to our working force is apparent, for these, among many reasons:

1. It reaches the most susceptible minds and hearts.

2. It makes early impressions, always the most enduring.

3. It is a valuable help in organizing.

4. It is educating to grown people, since mothers are sure to hear of what interests the children. 5. It opens avenues of activity to children.

6. It pre-empts little minds and hearts and hands for Christ's work. How to Use It.

1. Send to the Publisher, Miss Mary Belle Evans, Delaware, Ohio,

for samples, and distribute judiciously.

2. Try to introduce the paper into the homes of all Mothers' Jewels.
3. Interest some benevolent person, or persons, in your Church to supply the Junior League, and the intermediate and primary classes of the Sunday-school, with the paper for a year. Then, when interest has been secured, make a canvass, and get subscribers.
4. Urge Auxiliaries to so read and prize Woman's Home Missions that the children may leave from a yearn from a yearnest and cherich their company.

that the children may learn from example to respect and cherish their own

5. Do not wait for the formation of a Band before getting up a club

for the paper: rather, secure the club, and the Band will follow.

6. Let all Auxiliaries avail themselves of this help in removing the reproach which may, thus far, have rested upon them of being a "child-

less Auxiliary

The little paper, longed for, hoped for, prayed for so long, and so cordially welcomed by many loving hearts, comes, at the close of its first half-year of life, asking that it may be so well nurtured as to grow constantly stronger and better and brighter! Is not this what the baby has a right to expect?

MARTHA VAN MARTER, Editor.

## OF THE PUBLISHER OF "WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONS."

I submit to you the thirteenth report of Woman's Home Missions. The following statements show the receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year closing with the month of July, 1896:

RECEIPTS: Balance from last year \$893 39 From subscriptions 4,064 88 From advertisements 186 24
Total\$5,144 51
Expenditures: To printing and mailing
Total

If it were not for the balance from last year, our expenditures for the year would exceed our receipts by \$611.22. This can be accounted tor, largely, by the extra expense in adding the four pages. It is the first full year we have published a twenty-page paper. There is a slight falling off in receipts from subscriptions and advertisements. Many pledges were made one year ago for increased subscription-lists, and an earnest appeal was sent out during the year, urging that these pledges be kept. I regret that I must report a falling off of 360 subscriptions during the year.

year.

The small receipts from advertisements is due, in part, to failure in making collections. The prospects now are for increased receipts from

our advertising space the coming year.

An important question to decide to-day is, Shall we cut down the size of our publication, or increase the subscription price? We can not hope to increase our subscription-list for several years sufficiently to justify us in publishing a twenty-page paper, with subscription price at twenty-five cents. I foresee it will be no easy matter for any change to be made. The twenty pages each month seem none too many to present the work of this great organization, and to keep all its readers in spirit and sympathy with the work. Then we have accustomed ourselves to the nominal subscription price, and feel that any increase would prove a loss in number of subscribers. It is a question that must be carefully considered However, we have no reason to be discouraged. The loss of 360 names, from our list of over seventeen thousand, is a small item; but the fact that we have diminished our balance, from nearly nine hundred dollars to two hundred and eighty-two dollars, plainly shows that it is difficult to publish a twenty-page paper with subscription price at twenty-five cents. Let us continue our support to Woman's Home Missions, presenting its interests at all our meetings, soliciting subscriptions at every opportunity,—realizing that thereby we are giving an uplift to every department of the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Mary Belle Evans, Publisher.

## OF THE PUBLISHER OF "CHILDREN'S HOME MISSIONS."

In January, 1896, the first issue of Children's Home Missions, a

charming little twelve-page paper, was sent forth on its mission, and at the close of our fiscal year it has a subscription-list of 5,262.

Those of our workers who have been connected with the Children's Bands as Directors have long felt the need of just this sort of a publireation. They have met it with open arms, and we are delighted that it grows in favor with both the old and young. The financial part of a new enterprise is always important, and no doubt you are waiting anxiously for this part of my report. To anticipate any reaction that might come from the relaxing of our first enthusiasm, or any other cause, every device of economy has been brought in use. Our Editor has kindly given her services the first year for one hundred dollars. Some measures of economy were possible, while the list was only a few thousand, that can not be continued as the list increases. Thus, you see, there will be additional claims the coming year to draw on the Guarantee will be additional claims the coming year to draw on the Guarantee Fund—the Fund, you remember, which was pledged one year ago to Fund—the Fund, you remember, which was pledged one year ago to help inaugurate the paper. If you have not met your pledge in full, please try to do so the coming year. The first day the books were opened, a credit of \$25 was entered on Guarantee Fund—a check from a devoted friend of Children's Home Missions, Mrs. Samuel Hazlett. During the seven months, this Fund was increased by the following amounts: Indiana Conference, \$2; Mrs. I. Spurlock, \$5; Baltimore Conference, \$20; Mrs. W. A. Ingham \$4.60; and Central Ohio Conference, \$3.50; making a total of \$60.10. This does not include all that has been collected. Other moneys were sent to the General Treasury, and will be paid to this Fund at an early date. paid to this Fund at an early date.

The following statements show the receipts and expenditures for the

seven months closing with July, 1896:

Receipts: 573 41 From Guarantee Fund. 60 10
Total\$633 51
Expenditures:       \$276 00         To printing.       \$276 00         To electros.       36 45         To postage on papers.       8 61         To Editor.       58 00         To sundries.       16 85
Total\$395 91 To balance on hand
Total

Dear sisters, while we rejoice over the marked success which has attended our new publication, let us not forget that our continued support is necessary to further develop its usefulness. Again let us pledge ourselves "to do all in our power to obtain subscriptions for such a paper." It will take several years of careful management to place it on a substantial footing. We can look forward to the time when our Church shall be better equipped for Home Missionary work—its membership including grown-up boys and girls, who have been well-trained, and who make intelligent, efficient helpers.

MARY BELLE EVANS, Publisher.

## ON "WOMANS HOME MISSIONS."

The Committee on Home Missions must make a report that will require courage and faith on the part of our earnest, loyal women of the Church. As will be seen by the Publisher's statement, for the first time in our history, we report a probable deficit in receipts beyond expenditures. We have found it impossible to give a twenty-four-page paper twelve times a year for the sum of twenty-five cents. Our subscriptionlist has varied but little; but our surplus of \$893.44 has been cut down to \$282.17, showing our receipts were \$611.22 less than our expenditures. The subscription-list has not materially diminished, even in these times of demoralized finance: but the price of the paper is too small for the paper furnished.

At the request of the Editor, the paper has been lessened four pages in size for the present; but your Committee would not recommend that this change be made permanent. The value of a good, well-conducted paper to this Society is worth far more to its interests than the saving

of a small sum on paper and printer's ink.
Your Committee have no reason to infer that the children's paper has interfered with the circulation of Home Missions, and hope in the end that some mother may be helped through the interest of the children. The assistance given in the care and editing of the Deaconess Department has been successful in arousing greater interest in the paper among our Deaconess Homes and workers. It is the conviction of your Committee that the paper should keep pace with the increasing work and fields of the Society. They would therefore recommend:

1. That the present provision for the editing of the Deaconess De-

partment be maintained.

That the size of the paper be kept at twenty pages.
 That the price of the paper be twenty-five cents.
 Jane Bancroft Robinson, Chairman.

#### ON LEAFLETS.

The Leaflet Committee recommend:

1. That the headquarters for the distribution of leaflets be continued at 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y., Woman's Home Missionary

2. That no leaflet be published over the imprint of the Woman's Home Missionary Society that has not been received and accepted by

the Leaflet Editor.

3. That Secretaries of Bureaus furnish matter for leaflets concerning

their own special work.

4. That each Auxiliary throughout the Society (including Circles and Bands), contributing twenty-five cents annually to the Leaflet Fund, be authorized to call upon the office for such supplies of leaflets as they may need free, sending only the necessary amount of postage.

5. That all contributions for this Fund go through the regular chan-

nels into the General Treasury, specified as Leaflet Fund.

6. That Conference Secretaries seek by every means in their power to secure a wide distribution of our literature in their Conferences.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JULY 15, 1896: Whole number of leaflets distributed............ 68,958 Whole number of pamphlets distributed............ 1,461 

## ON CONCERT LESSON-LEAF.

We recommend:

1. That the Lesson Leaf be prepared by Mrs. T. P. Frost, and published by Miss Evans.

2. That it consist of a four-page leaflet, one half the size of Woman's

Home Missions, and that leaded type be used.

3. That the first number of the Lesson Leaf be issued January I, 1897.

4. That the editor of the leaflet be at liberty to select the subjects

of the lesson from month to month.

5. That the editor be recommended to call to her assistance Miss M. Van Marter, Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson, and Miss C. J. Hoag.
6. That the Lesson Leaf be sold by subscription to the Auxiliaries at forty cents per dozen copies per year. Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson,

MISS MARTHA VAN MARTER, Mrs. C. W. Gallagher, Committee.

#### ON PUBLICATION.

We recommend:

I. In view of the financial stringency of the country and the pressure upon our treasury, that the number of copies of the new Annual Report be the same as last year, and that the number of pages in each copy be not increased, but lessened, if possible.

2. That all reports and matter for publication therein be made as condensed as possible, and that only brief abstracts of speeches and ad-

dresses be published.

3. That the Publishing Committee be instructed to secure, if possible,

a reduction in the cost of publication.
4. That the price of Children's Home Missions remain as heretofore—fifteen cents for a single copy, and ten cents for clubs of ten or

5. That the editor and publisher remain the same, and that the paper be published at Delaware.

6. That the Committee on Woman's Home Missions, the editor, and publisher of the same, the Committee and editor of Children's Home Missions, and the Committee on Leaflets, send their Annual Reports to the Chairman of the Committee on Publication, that these Reports may be combined in one report; and, also, that the said Chairman obtain from the General Treasurer a statement of the amount of money expended for miscellaneous printing, electrotyping, and engraving, done by the Book Concern and other publishing-houses, in order that a full exhibit may be made by the Committee on Publication of the entire work and cost of the Publishing Department. Mrs. F. S. Hoyt, Chairman.

#### ON MISSIONARY CANDIDATES.

Twelve candidates have been passed by the Committee during the past year, and have been accepted by the Executive Board as missionaries. These have been sent to the following fields of labor: one to Holly Springs; two to Clarkson, Miss.; two to Ocala, Fla.; one to New Orleans; two to Little Rock; one to Greensboro; one to Watts de Peyster Home, Tivoli, New York; one to Glenn Home, Cincinnati; one to Albuquerque, N. M.; and one to Alaska.

Mrs. W. C. Herron, Chairman.

#### ON TRANSPORTATION.

All the Railroad Associations (excepting New England and the Southern) granted the reduced fare of one and one-third for such delegates and visitors as were provided with a certificate showing that they had paid full fare going to the Convention at Springfield, Illinois.

We recommend that a Conference Railroad Secretary be appointed

in each Conference.

It is necessary for the Chairman on the Transportation Committee to ascertain, at an early period, the number of persons expecting to attend the Annual Convention. Much time and money would be saved, and the overburdened Conference Corresponding Secretaries relieved from the responsibility.

MRS. W. M. AMPT, Chairman.

#### ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That we acknowledge with gratitude the great mercies God has bestowed upon us during the years which have passed, and, beneving he will lead us into larger fields of usefulness, we will take courage, and

look trustfully into the future.

Resolved, Recognizing the unswerving fidelity and efficiency of our beloved President and the able officers of this Society, who, by their wisdom and energy have advanced every interest of our comprehensive work, we do, with renewed confidence, pledge to them our loyal support during the coming year.

Resolved, That as we greatly appreciate the arduous and self-sacrificing labors of our missionaries and deaconesses, we will remember them in our daily petitions to the Giver of all good, asking him to reward them for their faithful devotion to a cause which has for its motto, "For the love of Christ, and in His Name."

Resolved, That we will increase our efforts to secure the co-operation of our young people in the mission-work of our land, feeling assured that the future success of this work depends largely upon the training

our youth of the present day receive.

Resolved, That we will do all in our power to interest the women and children of our Church in our two excellent papers—Woman's Home Missions and Children's Home Missions—and obtain new subscribers; and we will also help distribute leaflets among the people who

need information about the various lines of our work.

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt thanks to the trustees and members of the First Methodist Episcopal Church for the use of their fine edifice, so conveniently located; to the pastor for his kindness; to the women of the Church, who have been so untiring in their attention to our every want—generous, watchful, and helpful; to the young ladies, who have assisted so willingly and so gracefully; to the organist and singers; to the Decorating Committee, who so tastefully arranged the foliage-plants around the platform; to the sexton for his faithful service; to the thoughtful friends who planned for us the visit to the former home of Abraham Lincoln and the grand monument erected to his memory; to Mrs. Johnson, who so hospitably entertained us at her home; to Mrs. Governor Altgeld, for the evening reception given for our pleasure at the Executive Mansion; to many of the citizens, who have so cordially welcomed us to their homes; and to Mrs. Ampt, our faithful Railroad Secretary, who has served us for many years.

\*\*Resolved\*\*, That our most heartfelt thanks be extended to the ladies\*\*

who, without compensation and purely for love of our cause, have daily

reported our neetings in the Springfield papers, and to Mr. Platt, representative of the Associated Press, to whose kindness we are indebted.

Resolved, That we shall long remember every courtesy extended to the members of this Convention, and shall pray God to abundantly bless these kind friends who have so lightened our labors by their sweet ministrations.

Resolved, That these resolutions be given to the Springfield papers

Respectfully submitted. for insertion.

MRS. SAMUEL HAZLETT, Mrs. J. W. Gallagher, Mrs. S. W. Floyd, Committee on Resolutions.

#### ON DAY OF HUMILIATION AND PRAYER.

Your Committee on Day of Humiliation and Prayer is happy to report that the Baptist, Presbyterian, Congregational, United Brethren, Free Baptist, and Christian Church Woman's Hone or Woman's Missionary Societies (those denominational Societies that carry their Woman's Home and Foreign work conjointly being denominated Woman's Missionary Societies) have each expressed a desire to unite with us in observance of such a day.

Each denomination is to be represented by one of its officers, who has been appointed a member of the Interdenominational Committee on Day of Humiliation and Prayer. This Committee is to fix the day, and provide a suggestive Order of Exercises each year.

Several of these members have been elected by their National Society,

while a few nominations are pending their next annual gathering for confirmation.

Last year, the Presbyterian Society program was accepted. This year, the Baptist Society is to formulate a suggestive Order of Exercises, to be submitted to each member of the Committee for suggestions and approval.

The day fixed upon as most convenient for all denominations is the Mrs. J. P. Negus, Chairman. last Friday in February.

# EBOUEST AND DEVISE.

Maria Stetson Estate, Kingston, Mass.—Since our last report our Society has received from the Executor of this estate the sum of \$750, in full payment of the amount given us by the will of Maria Stetson.

Hollis Jewell Estate, Freeport, Ill.—Under the will in this case we were apparently entitled to a considerable sum. The will provided that the sum of \$5,000 should be equally divided, after the death of Mrs. Jewell, among five certain charitable and religious associations, including our Society. By another section of the will, the executor was authorized to sell a certain tract of land, and out of the proceeds pay the sum of \$500, and a like sum to each of four other organizations. The widow declined to take under the will, and elected to take under the law. But the law, as we are advised, would give her absolutely one-half of the \$5.000 aforesaid, and also one-half of said land above referred to. This reduced by one-half the amount which otherwise we might have

received; and, in February of last year, our Society received the sum of \$750, in full payment of our claim against this estate.

AVELINE MATTISON ESTATE, Cazenovia, N. Y.—The \$100 left us by

AVELINE MATTISON ESTATE, Cazenovia, N. Y.—The \$100 left us by the will of Aveline Mattison has not yet been realized.

MARY A. WILKES ESTATE, Manchester, Conn.—By this will we were given the sum of \$500, for the benefit of the Model Home at Camden, S. C. Through the executor, C. M. Wilkes, of Chicago, we received the full amount of this legacy in November last.

SARAH J. KNOX ESTATE, Manson, Iowa.—By the ninth item of the will of Sarah J. Knox, our Society is given the sum of \$300, only \$135 of which has been paid. In our last report, this bequest was put down at only \$200. Our legal adviser, in accordance with his custom in such cases, ordered a copy of the will, from which it appears that the gift to us is \$300. is \$300.

JULIA E. TYLER ESTATE, Rochester, N. Y.—We have an interest in this estate under the will of Julia E. Tyler. The nominal value of the assets in the trustee's hands is said to be about \$7,000, but a part of it is said to be either worthless or of doubtful value. Only part of the assets in the trustee's hands will come to us. The Church Extension Society, also, has an interest in the estate.

Martha Johnston Estate, Bucyrus, Ohio.—After making certain specific gifts, the will of Martha Johnston made our Society residuary

legatee of one-half of the remainder of the estate.

ELIZABETH MILLARD GIFT, Pana, Ill.—By deed of gift, dated July 2, 1895, Miss Elizabeth Millard conveyed to our Society a piece of property at Nashville, Tenn. This property was sold during the past year for the sum of \$900, and the proceeds applied in accordance with the wish

of the donor.

GIDEON T. SPRAGUE GIFT, Eaton Rapids, Mich.—By deed of gift, bearing date January 9, 1896, Gideon T. Sprague and Delia W. Sprague, his wife, conveyed to our Society a lot, with house and other improve-ments thereon, in Eaton Rapids, Mich., valued by him at about \$1,250, but subject to an incumbrance of \$250. The title to this property still remains in our Society. The house on this lot is insured for the sum of \$1,000.

JOHN BROWN ESTATE, Angola, Ind.—From this estate we derived a

of Ind. Brown Estate, Angola, Ind.—From this estate we derived a piece of land near Angola, Ind., the title to which was taken in the name of Frank Roby, Trustee. The value of the land is said to be approximately about \$400, but we have not been able to sell it.

Lucy A. Williams Estate, Pittsfield, Ill.—The will of Lucy A. Williams, of Pike County, Ill., makes a provision as follows: "To the Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, \$1,500." The executor of the will, finding that this bequest of \$1,500 was claimed by another Society as well as by us brought an action in the Circuit by another Society, as well as by us, brought an action in the Circuit Court of Pike County, Ill., asking for a consideration of the will. We filed an answer, claiming that the legacy is plainly intended for us. The other Society claiming this legacy also filed an answer, disputing our claim. The case was tried, and the court decided the case in our favor. The other Society took an appeal to the Supreme Court of the State,

where the case is now pending.

Oscar J. Squires Estate, Troy, N. Y.—The will of Oscar J. Squires makes a provision as follows: "2d. Upon the decease of my wife, if my estate shall then be worth \$18,000, or more, . . . 6th. I give, devise, and bequeath to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church . . . the sum of \$500."

Andrew Crooks Estate, Buffalo, N. Y.—Andrew Crooks gave us by his will the sum of \$600, to be paid after the death of his wife who

by his will the sum of \$600, to be paid after the death of his wife, who has a life interest therein.

MARGARET J. SPENCER ESTATE, Pontiac, Mich.—Margaret J. Spencer leit us by her will the sum of \$200.

Jane Carticle Estate, Somerset, Ohio.—The will in this case was probated July 24, 1894, but only recently came to our notice. It contains a provision as follows: "To the Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Somerset, Ohio, I give and bequeath \$500." Certain assets of the estate have to be reduced to money before the estate

can be settled.

CLARA CAMPBELL ESTATE, Ironton, Ohio.—By "Item 7" of her will, which was admitted to probate November 27, 1895, Miss Clara Campbell gives fifty shares of the capital stock of the Second National Bank of Ironton, three shares of the First National Bank of Ironton, and other property, valued at \$5,000, to William A. Murdock, trustee, with instructions to the trustee to pay the income of all the property so conveyed to him to five certain persons named in the will, and the survivors of them as long as a rule of them are living. After the death of these five of them, as long as any of them are living. After the death of these five persons, the property so held in trust is to be paid over by the trustee

to our Society.

BENJAMIN GREEN ESTATE, Newark, Ohio.—By his will, which was probated in Licking County, Ohio, November, 1895, Benjamin Green gives to his wife a life estate in all his property. He directs that after the death of his wife his executor shall reduce his estate to money, and the death of his wile his executor shall reduce his estate to money, and to pay over one-sixth thereof to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, "to be used by said Society as the interest of said Society shall demand." By a codicil, afterward added to his will, the portion of his estate which our Society is to receive is changed from one-sixth to one-fourth. The bonds, mortgages, notes, etc., belonging to our Society were appraised at \$5,519.80. The value of the real estate is not known to the Committee. It is understood that the widow of the testator desires that our Society shall receive its portion of the proceeds from the bonds, notes, mortgages, etc., during her life-time. time

ANN E. Jones Estate, Delaware, Ohio.—By her will, probated last July, Ann E. Jones directs that her debts and funeral expenses shall be first paid, and that the surplus, if any, of her estate shall be reduced to money by her executor, and the net balance paid "to Board of Trustees

of Ritter Home.

Mary Lockhart Estate, Mauch Chunk, Pa.-This will was pro-

Mary Lockhart Estate, Mauch Chunk, Pa.—This will was probated September 30, 1895. It contains a provision as follows: "I give and bequeath to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, a corporation under the laws of Ohio, \$2,000."

Susan J. Spencer Estate, Barton, Vt.—By the will of Susan J. Spencer, late of Barton, Vt., which was probated June 19, 1896, our Society is given the sum of \$50.

Sarah A. Lankford Palmer Estate, New York City.—This will was recently probated in the city of New York. After making certain specific legacies and gifts, by the 8th paragraph of her will, she directs her executors to convert all the residue of her property, real and personal, into money, and to pay over one-sixth part of said residue to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Actual amount of cash received from these bequests, \$3,085; amount which we expect certainly to realize, some time in the future, about

which we expect certainly to realize, some time in the future, about \$15,985. The remainder is more or less doubtful.

MRS. R. DYMOND, Chairman.

# ON PLACE OF ANNUAL MEETING.

Invitations have been received, through Mrs. Smith, from Emory Church, Pittsburg, and through Mrs. Neff from Fayette Street Methodist Episcopal Church, Baltimore.
The invitation from Baltimore was accepted.

Kansas City, through Mrs. Bush, invites the ladies to consider, during the coming year, that they will be an applicant for the meeting in 1898.

Mrs. Neff, Chairman.

Mrs. Robinson,

Mrs. Price A. Crow.

## ON BY-LAWS.

Committee was organized with Mrs. E. B. Green as Chairman, and

Mrs. T. J. Everett as Secretary. The following requests for amendments were presented, and unanimously adopted by the Committee:

1. A request from Mrs. F. A. Arter, Secretary of Bureau for West Southern States, that her Bureau be so divided that the Bennett Home and the E. L. Rust Home, both in Mississippi, shall form a new Bureau, and the Peck Home and Italian Work in New Orelans and the Adeline Smith Home of Little Rock be retained in the Bureau for West Southern

The Committee propose that the new Bureau thus formed be called

the Bureau for Mississippi.

2. A request from Mrs. E. L. Albright, Secretary of Bureau for East Central States, that Kent Home, Greensboro, N. C., be transferred from her Bureau to that for the West Central States.

These changes involve the following amendments to the By-laws:

By-law 6, to be amended by inserting after (4) West Southern States, (5) Mississippi, and changing the numbering of the remainder of the Bureaus so as to admit of this insertion.

By-law 10, to be amended by striking out the word Mississippi. By-law II, to be amended by inserting the word Mississippi before the word Texas.

By-law 9, to be amended by inserting after the word States, the words North Carolina.

A request from Detroit and Newark Conferences, that-

By-law 7 be amended by striking out the first sentence, and substituting therefor the following: The officers shall be nominated by informal ballot and elected by ballot.

4. The following new By-laws in reference to deaconess work, presented by the Deaconess Bureau, to be numbered and inserted in the appropriate place among the By-laws of that Bureau:

BY-LAWS FOR DEACONESS WORK.

(1) No promise of life-support shall be made to those who enter upon the work after the age of forty years, or to those who shall have given less than eight years of efficient, consecutive service as deaconesses, under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. The eight years of service not to include the two years of training.

(2) No promise of life-support shall be made to those who, at the close of their effective service, shall be unwilling to enter the Rest Home.

(3) Any such deaconess may be admitted to the Rest Home on the payment, for her, of \$200 by the Home of which she has been a member, Mrs. E. B. Green, Mrs. T. J. Everett, or by herself, or her friends.

Committee.

# OF GENERAL ORGANIZER.

My calls the past year have been to "strengthen the stakes," rather

than to "lengthen the cords."

I have visited twelve Conferences, presenting the interests of the Society at six Conference Anniversaries, three Conference Annual Meetings, one camp-meeting, one district meeting, five parlor meetings, forty Churches where Auxiliaries existed, and eighteen Churches where there was no Woman's Home Missionary Society. Organizations effected, sixteen. For special reasons an organization was not expected in the two remaining Churches until later. Number of members secured, 642;

number of addresses given, 80.

I have tried to faithfully represent and present our invaluable paper, Woman's Home Missions, and that gem for the children, Children's Home Missions, as well as every Bureau and department of the work of

this great organization.

have, with much regret, been compelled to decline many invitations for Conference Anniversary occasions, as well as the work of an itinerary in Conferences. I have given to three Conferences a month each of consecutive service.

The events of the year have shown to me greatly increased interest in the Woman's Home Missionary Society—among the pastors, encouraging the organization of Auxiliaries, and among the membership of the Churches that such Societies should be sustained.

I gratefully record that from grand old New England to Western Kansas, where there is so much call for faith and sacrifice on the part of these who are trained to work for the Macter I have met with the content of the

of those who are trying to do work for the Master, I have met with universal kindness and hospitality.

MRS. B. S. POTTER.

## OUR MITE-BOXES.

The success of the mite-box is due largely to the systematic method oi distributing them, and to the inspiration given by the efficient Mite-box Secretaries. Very few Conferences, Districts. Auxiliaries, Circles, or Bands are without a Mite-box Secretary.

The importance of reporting collections to each Secretary is abso-

lutely necessary, as we are confident large sums of money are collected

each year in mite-boxes, and no report is given.

More care is necessary in keeping strict account of the mite-boxes received, distributed, and the amounts collected. No Conference, District, or Auxiliary is well equipped without a Mite-box Secretary.

The total expenditures for mite-boxes during the year was \$386.93.

# CASH RECEIVED AND DISBURSED.

## RECEIPTS:

Received from sundry persons for mite-bo	
Received from mite-box collections	 9 22
Received in postage-stamps	
Received from Treasurer for expenditures.	 25 13
Total received	 

#### DISBURSEMENTS:

Paid to Mrs. J. W. Mendenhall, Treasurer\$38 13
Paid expressage to Mrs. F. H. Lord, Lynn, Mass 2 85
Paid Miss Ainsworth, New York, postage on leaflets. 1 56 Paid postage during year, on blanks, leaflets, letters,
and for stationery 20 72
Total disbursed\$63.26

Mite-box Collections reported by Conference Mite-box Secretaries: Baltimore Conference, \$690.49; California Conference, \$116.40; Central Alabama Conference, \$1.22; Central New York Conference, \$169.54; Central Ohio Conference, \$166.92; Central Pennsylvania Conference, \$219.20; Cincinnati Conference, \$175.96; Colorado Conference, \$23.03; Des Moines Conference, \$25.39; Detroit Conference, \$305.22; East Ohio Conference, \$200.73; Erie Conference, \$186.59; Genesee Conference, \$166.57; Illinois Conference, \$5.70; Indiana Conference, \$13.18; Iowa Conference, \$45.41; Lexington Conference, 78 cents; North Ohio Conference, \$45.41; Lexington Conference, \$70.27; Nebraska Conference, \$40.86; Maine Conference, \$40; New Jersey Conference, \$6.25; Minnesota Conference, \$7.50; Michigan Conference, \$102.98; Northern New York Conference, \$480.85; New England Conference, \$226.61; New England Southern Conference, \$74.06; New Hampshire Conference, \$24.18; New York East Conference, \$135.74; North Indiana Conference, \$24.18; Northwest Iowa Conference, \$135.74; North Indiana Conference, \$20.18; Northwest Iowa Conference, \$246.80; Ohio Conference, \$1.308; Philadelphia Conference, \$14.42; Pittsburg Conference, \$81.90; South Carolina Conference, \$133; Southern Illinois Conference, \$57.54; Troy Conference, \$20; Upper Iowa Conference, \$73.73; Vermont Conference, \$66.79; West Wisconsin Conference, \$8; Wilmington Conference, \$1.61; Wyoming Conference, \$57.76; Brocton Auxiliary, New York, \$9.26; Grand Junction, Iowa, \$12.59; Wisconsin Conference, \$4; West Texas Conference, \$4; Manchester, Upper Iowa Conference, \$4; West Texas Conference, \$4; Manchester, Upper Iowa Conference, \$67.20; California Conference, \$21; Xenia, Ohio, \$39; Philadelphia Conference, \$67.20; California Conference, \$81, 21; Xenia, Ohio, \$39; Philadelphia Conference, \$67.20; California Conference, \$81, 21; Xenia, Ohio, \$39; Philadelphia Conference, \$90.29. Mite-box Collections reported by Conference Mite-box Secretaries:

The Banner Conference is Baltimore, having contributed the largest amount in mite-boxes, \$690.49. The Banner Auxiliary was Cedar Rapids, Upper Iowa Conference. The one box contained \$30. Newark Conference was second in order, \$480.85; one box contained, \$25.

The grand success achieved in the Mite-box Department is due to the untiring efforts of Divisional Mite-box Secretaries and their assistants in the various Conferences, Districts, and Auxiliaries.

Mrs. W. M. Ampt, Secretary.

#### ON INSURANCE.

# Total Amount of Insurance and Premiums Paid During the Years 1895 and 1896 on Property of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Ocala, Fla.: School-building.—No. 420,979, National, on furniture, \$900;

premium, \$27. Logan, Utah: Seminary Building.—No. 420,981, National, on furniture, \$500; on building, \$2,500; premium, \$90.

Elsinore, Utah: Church and Day-school.—No. 420,982, National, on building, \$500; premium, \$20.

Nashville, Tenn.: School-building .- No. 420,011, National, on building,

\$1,000; premium, \$25.

Provo, Utah: Dwelling and Day-school.—No. 421,052, National, on building, \$750; on furniture, \$250; premium, \$30.
Pawhuska, Ok. Ter.: School-buildings and Cottages.—No. 421,079, National, on dwelling, \$600; on school-building, \$300; on dwelling, \$600; on

dwelling, \$300; premium, \$54.

Cincinnati. O.: Glenn Home, 359 West Fourth Street.—No, 421,108, National, on building, \$2,500; premium, \$6.25. No. 246,348, Cooper, on building, \$2,500; on stable, \$500; premium, \$8.25. No. 804, Ger. Amer., on building, \$2,500; on stable, \$500; premium, \$8.25. Athens, Tenn.: Ritter Industrial Home.—No. 848, Ger. Amer., on furni-

ture, \$1,000; premium, \$20.

Little Rock, Ark.: Adeline Smith Industrial Home.—No. 421,229, National, on building, \$625; on furniture, \$125; premium, \$16.87.

Unalaska, Alaska: Jesse Lee Home.—No. 89,203, National Fire, on building, \$1,500; No. 8,520, Springfield, on building, \$1,500; premium, \$90.

Total insurance, \$21,450. Total premium, \$395.62.

# Total Amount of Insurance and Premiums Paid on Property of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Athens, Tenn.: Ritter Industrial Home.--Total amount insurance,

\$12,500; total amount premiums, \$250.

Camden, S. C.: Browning Industrial School.—Total amount insurance, \$4,800; total amount premiums, \$144. Training-school and Dwelling.— Total amount insurance, \$3,000; total amount premiums, \$90. Marshall, Tenn.: King Home.—Total amount insurance, \$7,000; total

amount premiums, \$210.

West Holly Springs, Miss.: E. L. Rust Industrial Home.—Total

amount insurance, \$3,800; total amount premiums, \$81.51.

New Orleans, La.: Peck Home.—Total amount insurance, \$6,000; total

amount premiums, \$135. Little Rock, Ark.: Adeline Smith Industrial Home.-Total amount in-

surance, \$6,000; total amount premiums, \$134.99.

Savannah, Ga.: Haven Industrial Home.—Total amount insurance, . \$12,900; total amount premiums, \$226.50.
Elsinore, Utah: Church and Day school.—Total amount insurance,

\$500; total amount premiums, \$20.

Logan, Utah: Seminary Building.-Total amount insurance, \$3,000; total amount premiums, \$90.
Provo, Utah: Dwelling and Day-school.—Total amount insurance,

\$1,000; total amount premiums, \$30.
Salt Lake City, Utah.—Total amount insurance, \$850; total amount premiums, \$15.30.

Greensboro, N. C.: Dwelling and Industrial Modern Home.-Total

amount insurance, \$2,700; total amount premiums, \$81. Asheville, N. C.: School and Two Dwellings.—Total amount insurauce,

\$2,850; total amount premiums, \$78.90.
Orangeburg, S. C.: Simpson Home.—Total amount insurance, \$3,000;

total amount premiums, \$75.

Boston, Mass.: Immigrants' Home.—Total amount insurance, \$14,000;

total amount premiums, \$168.

Cincinnati, O.: Glenn Home.—Total amount insurance, \$9,500; total amount premiums, \$33.25.

Pawhuska, Oklahoma Ter.—Total amount insurance, \$1,800; total

amount premiums, \$54.

Pouca, Indian Ter.—Total amount insurance, \$400; total amount pre-

miums, \$12

Albuquerque, N. M.—Total amount insurance, \$4,000; total amount premiums, \$120.

Jacksonville, Fla.: Dwelling and Orphanage.—Total amount insurance,

\$6,450; total amount premiums, \$241.50.

Ocala, Fla.: Emerson Memorial Home Seminary.—Total amount insurance, \$2,100; total amount premiums, \$73.50. Dwelling and School.— Total amount insurance, \$900; total amount premiums, \$27.

Atlanta, Ga.: Thayer Home.—Total amount insurance, \$5,000; total

amount premiums, \$100.

Nashville, Tenn.: School Building.—Total amount insurance, \$1,000

total amount premiums, \$25.

Unalaska, Alaska. Total amount insurance, \$3,000; total amount premiums, \$95.

Total insurance, \$118,050. Total premiums, \$2,611.45.

## ON FINANCE AND MISSION FIELDS.

The Finance Committee made the following recommendations, which were adopted:

1. Beneficiary Funds.

(a) That no Bureau shall solicit beneficiary aid beyond the appropriation to that Bureau, and should more than the appropriation be paid into the treasury, the excess shall be applied on the appropriation of the following year.

(b) That the Treasurer notify each Bureau Secretary on July first, of each year, of the amount of beneficiary money in the treasury to her credit, and that the request for beneficiary money be governed thereby.

(c) That all beneficiary money be kept as a separate fund, and be paid

out for no purpose save that for which it was conribtuted.

(d) That the beneficiary money now standing to the credit of Homes be first paid on the current year's beneficiary account.

2. New work.

(a) That the Northern Swedish Mission Conference be permitted, for this year, to use the funds raised within its borders for the promotion of its own Conference work, reporting the same by voucher to the General Treasurer.

(b) That the General Treasurer be instructed to pay to the Brooklyn Deaconess Home, from the General Fund, a sum equal to one-half the dues paid by Auxiliaries organized during the year within the limits of the

two presiding elders' districts centering in the city of Brooklyn.

- 3. That missionaries send all bills to their Bureau Secretaries for indorsement and transmission to the Treasurer; that the Treasurer report to the Bureau Secretary the amount of money sent to the missionaries, with date of payment.
- 4. That rules made by the Finance Committee for its own guidance, remain in force until changed by formal action.

The Committee on Finance and Mission Fields recommend the following appropriations for 1896-97:

# APPROPRIATIONS.

# Southern Work.

	THAVER HOME, ATLANTA, GA.—Superintendent and assistants,
\$700 100	salary and traveling expenses,
	Enlarging sewing-room and additional sleeping-rooms (condi-
500	tional),
\$1,300	Total,
	HAVEN HOME, SAVANNAH, GA.—Superintendent, salary and trav-
\$480 720	eling expenses,
100	Sewing and music teacher,
600	Current expenses, light and fuel,
110	School supplies, furniture for school and home,
155	Repairs, plumbing and water,
\$2,165	Total,
\$360	Speedwell, Ga.—Teacher, salary and traveling expenses,
175	Current expenses and incidentals,
\$535	Total,
	BOYLAN HOME, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.—Superintendent and three
\$1,520	assistant teachers, salary and traveling expenses,
100	Repairs and painting,
	To cover expense of conforming to the new school law (condi-
100	tional upon being needed),
\$2,320	Total,
	EMERSON HOME, OCALA, FLA.—Superintendent and assistants, sal-
\$700	ary and traveling expenses,
200	Incidentals and sanitary improvements,
100	upon being needed),
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\$1,000	Total,
45	KENT HOME, GREENSBORO, N. C.—Superintendent, salary and
\$350 85	traveling expenses,
\$435	Total,
~	ASHEVILLE, N. C.—Superintendent and teachers, salary and travel-
\$720 135	ing expenses,
100	Moving building (conditional upon being needed),
3,500	Completing building (conditional upon being raised),
\$4,455	Total,

SIMPSON HOME, ORANGEBURG, S. C.—Superintendent and assistants, salary and traveling expenses, Furnishing and incidentals,	\$790 175
Total,	\$965
Browning Home, Camden, S. C.—Superintendent and three assistants, salary and traveling expenses,	\$1,560 1,500
Total,	\$3,060
Morristown, Tenn.—Superintendent and assistant, salary and traveling expenses,	\$685 100
Total,	\$785
RITTER HOME, ATHENS, TENN.—Superintendent and sewing teacher, salary and traveling expenses,	\$580 50 200
Total,	\$830
F. L. RUST HOME, HOLLY SPRINGS, MISS.—Superintendents and assistants, salary and traveling expenses,	\$950 450 200
Total,	\$1,600
BENNETT HOME, CLARKSON, MISS.—Superintendent and assistant, salary and traveling expenses,	\$750 200 50
Total,	\$1,000
ADELINE SMITH HOME, LITTLE ROCK, ARK.—Superintendent and assistant, salary and traveling expenses,	\$760 180
Total,	\$940
PECK HOME, NEW ORLEANS, I.A.—Superintendent and assistant, salary and traveling expenses,	\$760 150 150
Total,	\$1,060
ITALIAN WORK, NEW ORLEANS, LA.—Missionary, salary and traveling expenses,	\$370 170
Total,	\$540

KING HOME, MARSHALL TEXAS.—Superintendent and assistant,	
salary and traveling expenses,	\$740
Incidentals and fuel,	150
Finishing third floor (conditional upon being raised),	900
Total,	\$1,790
Total for Southern Work,	\$27.4So
Utah.	
GURLEY HOME, MORONI—Teacher and traveling expenses,	\$385
RICHFIELD—Missionary,	300
MT. PLEASANT—Missionary,	300
Logan—Deaconess,	200
EPHRAIM—Missionary,	300
Provo—Deaconess,	200
OGDEN—Deaconess,	200
	360
DAVIS—Deaconess Home, four Deaconesses,	8co 4c <b>o</b>
ELSINORE—Teacher,	500
contingent tuna (#250 contingent apon being needed),	
Total for Utah,	\$3,945
New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish.)	
ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.—Superintendent and assistant, salary and	\$96o
traveling expenses,	100
Furnishings (conditional upon being raised),	400
Total,	\$1,460
LAS CRUCES—Missionary and incidentals,	<b>\$530</b>
Las Vegas—Missionary, incidentals and rent,	630
Total for New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish),	\$2,620
Indian Work.	
NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA (INDIAN).	
DULCE.—Two missionaries and traveling expenses,	\$1,000
Assistant teacher and helper,	150
Repairs (reappropriation),	225
Horse and wagon (conditional),	100
	\$1,475
NAVAIOES Wissionary	600
Navajoes.—Missionary,	300
Improvements and incidentals (\$50 conditional upon being	
raised),	250
Deaconess (conditional),	225
	\$1,375
Total for New Mexico and Arizona (Indian),	2,850

INDIAN AND FRONTIER WORK.	
Ponca, O. TMissionary,	\$480
Incidentals, improvements, and repairs,	105
Balance on horses,	15
Total,	\$600
ADELAIDE SPRINGER MISSION, PAWHUSKA, O. TMissionary and	
teacher,	465
Assistant teacher (conditional),	225
incidentals (incidents seats for sensor),	145
STICKNEY HOME, NOOKSACHK, WASHINGTON. — Superintendent,	\$835
matron, and teacher,	540
Board,	148
Furniture and incidentals,	175
Total,	\$863
FORT SIMCOE, YAKIMA AGENCY.—Missionary, salary, and incidentals,	388
	300
Total for Indian and frontier work,	
ALASKAMatron's salary, \$480; assistant and incidentals, \$385, .	865
Finishing building, \$2,500; furnishing, \$250; water supply, \$150,	2,900
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Total for Alaska,	\$3,765
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Immigrant Work.	\$3,765
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Immigrant Work.  IMMIGRANTS' HOME, New YORKTwo missionaries,	960
Immigrant Work.  Immigrants' Home, New York.—Two missionaries,  Doniestic, \$230; rent, \$800; current expenses, \$250,  Total,	960 1,280
Immigrant Work.  Immigrants' Home, New York.—Two missionaries,  Domestic, \$230; rent, \$800; current expenses, \$250,  Total,	960 1,280 \$2,240
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Immigrant Work.  Immigrants' Home, New York.—Two missionaries,	960 1,280 \$2,240 600 600 \$1,200 416 880 \$1,296 4,736
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E. E. MARCY HOME, CHICAGO, ILL,—Missionary and helpers,		45
Incidentals,		25
Incidentals,		7,00
Total,		\$7.73
GLENN HOME, CINCINNATI, O.—Missionary and kindergarten	work.	2,00
Incidentals		50
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Momentum Claren Voner Nun Commintendent and		\$2,50
MOTHERS' JEWELS HOME, YORK, NEB.—Superintendent and a		0
Matron and helpers, \$500; current expenses, \$3,500,		Sc 4,00
Farm help and carpenter,		20
Sanitary improvements,		50
Farm help and carpenter,	,	1,00
Dencit on current expenses		1,172 2
Due for memorial tablets, \$100; for Kindergarten (ctional upon being needed), \$300,	condi-	
tional upon being needed), \$300,		40
Total,	\$	8,072
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LUCY WEBB HAYES TRAINING-SCHOOL, WASHINGTON, D. C. aries, incidentals, insurance, and printing,	Sal-	
Rent, \$650; furnishing and repairs, \$750,		1,60
Local city work (conditional upon being raised),		1,40
Support of deaconesses (conditional upon being raised),		50
		1.00
Reappropriated for building (conditional upon being ra	ised),	
Reappropriated for building (conditional upon being ra	ised),	5,00
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NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE		
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New York East Conference		
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Beneficiaries (Conditional)	Newark, New Jersey,	
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ALASKA,   2,000		,
ASHEVILLE, N. C.		2,000
ATHENS, TENN,		
AMDEN, S. C.,   200	ATHENS, TENN.,	
CLARKSON, MISS.   150	ATLANTA, GA.,	. 200
DULCE     1200	CAMDEN, S. C.,	. 200
SKEENSBORO, N. C.	CLARKSON, MISS.,	. 150
SKEENSBORO, N. C.	DULCE,	
ACKSONVILLE, FLA., 200  JITTLE ROCK, ARK., 160  JARSHALL, TEXAS, 166  JARSHALL, TEXAS, 166  MORRISTOWN, 200  NEW MEXICO (Spanish), 600  NEW ORLEANS, LA., 240  NOOKSACHK, WASH., 800  CALA, FLA., 200  CALA, FLA., 200  CALA, FLA., 600  TOLL, 600  TOLL, 600  TOTAL, 810,305  General Incidental Expenses, \$5,000  Grand Total, 143,644 27  Unconditional, 62,489 27  Conditional, 81,155  Conditional, 81,155  Conditional, 87,400 00  Laska, 3,765 00  Jah Work, 3,695 00 250 00  Summary  Conditional Conditional Sew Mexico and Arizona (Indian), 2,175 00  New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish), 2,220 00  More Mexico and Arizona (Indian), 2,175 00  New Mexico and Arizona (Indian), 2,17	Greensboro, N. C.,	. 150
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ARRSHALL, TENAS,   160     MORRISTOWN,   200     NEW MENICO (Spanish),   600     NEW ORLEANS, LA.,   240     NOOKSACHK, WASH.,   800     DEALA, FLA.,   200     DEANGEBURG, S. C.,   225     DAVANNAH, GA.,   600     Total,   510,305     General Incidental Expenses,   5,500     Grand Total,   143,644   27     Unconditional,   62,489   27     Conditional,   81,155   00     Summary.     Summary.     Conditional   1,000     Conditional	JACKSONVILLE, FLA.,	. 200
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VEW ORLEANS, I.A.,   240   2	Morristown,	. 200
NOOKSACHK, WASH.,   SOO	New Mexico (Spanish),	. 600
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Total,		
	Total,	\$81,155 00

# REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

MRS. DELIA L. WILLIAMS,

In account with the Woman's Home Missionary Society,

July 15, 1895, to July 15, 1896.

# RECEIPTS FROM CONFERENCES.

#### Baltimore Conference.

MRS. M. E. BROWN, Treasurer, 902 Fourteenth Street, Washington, D. C.

To General Fund.—BALTIMORE DISTRICT.—Baltimore: Eutaw Street. \$4.55; First Church, \$169.10; Circle, \$17.60; Junior Circle, \$5.25; Madison Avenue, \$75; Mt. Vernon Place, \$41.50; "Queen Esther" Circle, \$4; South Baltimore Station, \$30.62; Strawbridge, \$66.50; Wesley Chapel, \$6; donation, \$4.

East Baltimore District.—Baltimore: Broadway, \$14.50; Canton Street, \$2.60; East Baltimore Station, \$22; Harford Avenue, \$38.65; Jefferson Street, \$3.10; Montford Avenue, \$18.75; Monument Street, \$48.75; Willing Workers," \$2.02; North Avenue, \$4.75.

Total, \$155.12.

West Baltimore District.—Baltimore: Bethany, \$19.50; Calverton, \$2; Columbia Avenue, \$28; Emory, \$19; Fayette Street, \$47.50; Franklin Street, \$22.50; Grace, \$61.50; Young Ladies, \$2.50; Harlem Park, \$26; Relay, \$1; Union Square, \$38; Whatcoat, \$17.75.

Total, \$285.25.

Frederick District.—Frederick, \$3.50; Ijamsville, \$12.25; Martinsburg, \$13.25; Paw Paw, \$9.25.

Total, \$38.25.

Washington District.—Washington: Anacostia, \$41.13; Douglas Memorial, \$37.25; Dumbarton, \$34.25; Fifteenth Street, \$23.75; Foundry, \$51; Young Ladies, \$6.50; Foundry Junior, \$21.50; Circle, \$11.50; Grace, \$11.50; Hamline, \$142.75; Young Ladies, \$9; Girls' Ministering Circle, \$2.75; Hamline Junior, \$3.10; Circle, \$10.20; Ministering Circle, \$1.55; Kensington, \$31.50; Metropolitan, \$58.25; McKendree, \$32.45; Young Ladies, \$2.25; McKendree Junior, \$3.50; Circle, \$12; North Capital, \$22; Ryland, \$40.26; St. Paul, \$18; Trinity, \$41,24; Twelfth Street, \$24.78; Union, \$24.20; Waugh, \$37; mite-boxes, \$41.35; Wesley, \$38.75; Young Ladies, \$6; Wesley Junior, \$3.25; Circle, \$7.75.

Baltimore Conference, \$103; Washington Conference, \$24. For Children's Paper: Madison Avenue, \$1; McKendree Junior, 50 cents; Montford Avenue, \$1; Wesley, 50 cents; Conference, \$22.50.

Total, \$152.50.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$1,907.50.

To Special General Fund.—To Jesse Lee Home.—Baltimore: Bethany, \$10; Columbia Avenue, \$5; First Church, \$30; Young Ladies, \$10; Franklin Street, \$11.50; Frostburg, \$5; Frostburg Circuit, \$14; Grace, \$25; Harford Avenue, \$5; Harlem Park, \$10; Madison Avenue, \$26; Mt. Vernon Church, \$8.75; Montford Avenue, \$5; Monument Street, \$10; "Willing

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Workers," \$1.15; Paw Paw, \$7; Strawbridge, \$12; Union Square, \$10; Whatcoat, \$10; Baltimore District, \$18.75; East Baltimore Station, \$15; South Baltimore Station, \$15; Washington: Douglas Memorial, \$5; Dumbarton, \$5; Foundry, \$28; through Mrs. Beiler, \$12.25; Foundry Junior, \$6; Hamline, \$35; Hamline Junior, "Little Helping Hands" Band, \$5; Metropolitan, \$28; McKendree, \$20; North Capital, \$1; Ryland, \$10; St. Paul, \$25; Trinity, \$15; Waugh, \$25; Wesley, 50 cents; Wesley Junior, \$26; Washington District, \$3.35. Total, \$514.25. Washington District, \$3.35.

To Beneficiary Fund.—To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Baltimore: Madison Avenue, \$50. Washington: Foundry, \$20; Hamline, \$50; Hamline Junior, \$10; for Prexie Oustigoff, \$10; Waugh, \$13; Mr. Bruninger, \$15.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Frostburg, \$2; Frostburg Circuit, \$12.52; Hagerstown, \$2; Hancock, \$5; Ijamsville, \$16.75; Martinsburg: St. Paul, \$2; Old Town, \$1; Paw Paw, \$5; Rawlings Circuit, \$4; Union Square, \$1; Will-Total, \$54.27.

To Ritter Home.-Washington: Hamline, Girls' Ministering Circle, for Lizzie Nicholson, \$40; McKendree, Mrs. Rankin, for Annie Little, \$50; Metropolitan, \$50. Total, \$140. Metropolitan, \$50.

ropolitan, \$50. To Watts de Peyster Home.—Hamline Junior, "Bee Hives," \$4. Total, \$4.

To Special Fund.—To Immigrant Home, New York.—Baltimore: First Church, Circle, \$3. Washington: Hamline, \$2. Total, \$5. To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Washington: Metropolitan, \$14.25; through Mrs. Beiler, \$5; Mrs. M. De Freist, \$5; Mrs. Lizzie Pickens, \$5; Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, \$3.

Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, \$3.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Washington: Anacostia, \$12.50; Douglas

Meniorial, \$7.35; Dumbarton, \$5; Foundry, \$163.50; Young Ladies, \$27.25; Foundry Junior, \$76.15; Fifteenth Street, \$7; Grace, \$75; Hamline, \$225.25; Hamline Junior, \$5.47; Kensington, \$1.50; Metropolitan, \$568.06; McKendree, \$47.42; Young Ladies, \$31.75; McKendree Junior, \$112.65; North Capital, \$6; Ryland, \$11; St. Paul, \$8; Trinity, \$59.10; Union, \$12.26; Wesley, \$144.81; Young Ladies, \$3; Wesley Junior, \$21.55; Trederick District \$6.50. Total, \$1,633.57. trict, \$2.

Hospital Fund.—Anacostia, \$25; Douglas Memorial, \$14.86; Dumbarton, \$16; Pinteenth Street, \$4.60; Foundry, \$152.42; Young Ladies, \$25; Foundry Junior, \$75; Grace, \$3; Hamline, \$185.75; Young Ladies, \$10; Girls' Circle, \$12; Kensington, \$21; Metropolitan, \$156.70; McKendree, \$22; Young Ladies, \$30; McKendree Junior, \$20; North Capital, \$35.25; Ryland, \$19.30; St. Paul, \$27.25; Junior Epworth League, \$32.41; Trinity, \$12.50; S. S. Bee Hives, \$26; Union, \$4; S. S. Bee Hives, \$50; Waugh, \$1; Wesley, \$76; Young Ladies, \$12.

Total, \$1,069.04.

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To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Baltimore: First Church, \$4. Washington: McKendree, 30 cents; Union, 10 cents. Hospital Fund.—Anacostia, \$25; Douglas Memorial, \$14.86; Dumbar-

ton: McKendree, 30 cents; Union, 10 cents.

Total, \$4.40.

To Rest Home, Ocean Grove.—Baltimore: First Church, \$2; Madison

Avenue, \$2; Mt. Vernon Place, 50 cents; Monument Street, \$1; Wesley Chapel, \$1.50; East Baltimore Station, \$1; Strawbridge, \$2; South Balti-

more Station, \$2.

To al, \$12.

To Ritter Home.—Washington: McKendree, for heating apparatus, \$10; for a cow, \$15; Young Ladies, \$5.

To Watts de Peyster Home.—Washington: Hamline, \$1.25; Hamline

Junior, Junior Epworth League, \$15.

Total, \$16.25.

Furnishing Book Room, New York.—Baltimore: Broadway, 38 cents;
First Church, \$1; Madison Avenue, \$1; Wesley Chapel, 50 cents; East Total, \$16.25.

Baltimore Station, \$1; East Baltimore District, \$1.12; Washington District, \$2.50; West Baltimore District, \$10.

7; West Baltimore District, \$10. Total, \$17.50. To Deaconess Home, Baltimore.—South Baltimore Station, \$51.64; First Church, \$145.97; Young Ladies, \$6.32; First Church Junior, \$5; Madison Avenue, \$232.50; Mt. Vernon Place, \$124.75; Strawbridge, \$374.63; Mt. Vernon, \$15; Broadway, \$443.30; East Baltimore Station, \$135.15; Monument Street, \$88.90; Columbia Avenue, \$17; Fayette Street, \$36; Union Square, \$211.50; West Baltimore District, \$650; Grace, \$725.21; Whatcoat, \$61.75; Luthersville, \$5; Wesley Chapel, \$1; Relay, \$3; Harford Avenue, \$78.30; Montford Avenue, \$4.25; Franklin Street, \$17.04; Emory, \$15; Harley, \$6.50; North Avenue, \$1.100, \$1.1 lem Park, \$169.97; Bethany, \$9.50; North Avenue, \$1; Hyndman, \$5.25; Keyser, \$15; Piedmont, \$8; Mt. Airy Circuit, \$4.59; Ijamsville, \$27.41.

Total, \$3,688.93. To Building Fund.—Baltimore: First Church, \$25; Madison Avenue, \$14.50; Butaw Street, \$30; Strawbridge, \$25; South Baltimore, \$25; Broadway, \$35; Madison Square, \$357.95; Harlem Park, \$25; Whatcoat, \$75.

Total, \$612.45.

Total to Special Fund, Grand total,						
Local Work, Conference Contingent						

#### California Conference.

MRS. ABBIE A. STUDLEY, Treasurer, 717 Shotwell Street, San Francisco, California.

To General Fund.—NAPA DISTRICT.—Centenary, \$10; Napa, \$9; Santa Rosa, \$14. Total, \$33.

OAKLAND DISTRICT.—Alameda: First Church, \$25; life member, \$20; Berkeley: Trinity, 24: Haywards, 21; Oakland: First Church, 43; Circle, \$34.50; East Oakland: Eighth Avenue, \$28.95; Stockton: Central, \$11.55. Total, \$20S.

SACRAMENTO DISTRICT.—Grass Valley, \$19.40; Sacramento, \$7.75; th Street, \$12.50.

SAN FRANCISCO DISTRICT.—Centella, \$13; Gilroy, \$22.25; San Fran-Sixth Street, \$12.50.

cisco: California Street, \$20: Central Church, \$35; Grace, \$30; "Whoso-ever" Circle, \$3.75; Howard Street, \$28.15; St. Mizpah Circle, King's Daughters, \$5.75; Simpson Memorial, \$27.74; Trinity, \$31.75; San Jose: First Clurch, \$32; Santa Clara, \$5; Santa Cruz, \$20.95; Conference gath-Total, \$277.34. erings, \$2.

Without special credits, \$24. Total, \$24. From MITE-BOXES.—Alameda: First Church, \$3; Centella, \$5; Oakland: First Church, \$6.15; Circle, \$59.62; San Francisco: California Street, \$6; Central, \$9.52; Grace, \$6.75 Howard Street, \$12.64; Simpson Memorial, \$5.95; Trinity, \$3.36; San Jose: First Church, \$11.45; Santa Cruz, \$5.15; Stockton: Central, \$11.95.

To Special Fund.—To Deaconess Home, San Francisco.—Alameda: First Church, \$35.50; Circle, \$1.60; Berkeley: Trinity, \$24; Centella, \$5; Gilroy, \$5.40; Haywards, \$2.50; Napa, \$12; Oakland: First Church, \$51.18; East Oakland, \$13.50; Pacific Grove, \$5; Powell, \$1; San Francisco: California Street, \$10.50; Central, \$80.05; Epworth, \$1; Grace, \$42; Howard Street, \$56.50; Mizpalı Circle, \$85; Simpson Memorial, \$177.75; Trinity, \$46; San Jose: First Church, \$5; Santa Cruz, \$25.

Total, \$685.48.

To Oriental Bureau.—Alameda: First Church, \$15; Circle, \$47.50; Berkeley: Trinity, \$25; Haywards, \$2.50; Napa, \$20; Oakland: First Church, \$54.50; East Oakland, \$25; San Francisco: California Street, \$20; Central \$41.50; Epworth \$1; Grace, \$34.50; Howard Street, \$37; Simpson Memorial, \$82.13; Trinity, \$20; Judge Lewis, \$20; San Jose: First Church, \$15; Santa Cruz, \$5; Santa Rosa, \$5; Stockton: Central, \$30.  Total to Special Fund,
Central Alabama Conference.
Mrs. Kansas Douglas, Treasurer, Wedowee, Alabama.
To General Fund.—Dadeville District.—Wedowee: Union Chapel,
\$8.05. Total, \$8.05.  Conference gleanings, \$7.25. Total, \$7.25  Total to General Fund, \$15.30.  Local Work, \$16.45.  Conference Contingent Fund, 2.60.
Central Illinois Conference.
Mrs. Ella G. Taylor, Treasurer, Rock Island, Illinois.
To General Fund.—Kankakee District.—Onarga: First Church, \$17.25.  Galesburg District.—From charter members, Galesburg: Mrs. L. C. Tunnicliff, \$1; Mrs. Lizzie Mars, \$1; Mrs. M. J. Fletcher, \$1; Mrs. H. C. Smith, \$1; Mrs. D. H. Wilbur, \$1; Mrs. A. P. Babcock, \$1; Mrs. A. S. Iliff, \$1; Miss Ida Wilbur, \$1; Mrs. A. P. Babcock, \$1; Mrs. C. C. Merrill, \$1.  Rock Island District.—Rock Island: First Church, \$8; Tiskiliva, Mrs. J. S. Hepperly, and daughter, \$10; Rock Island, Sada L. Ranson, \$17.50.  Conference gleanings, \$16.25.  Total to General Fund,
To Stickney Home.—Onarga: First Church, \$6. Total, \$6. Total to Beneficiary Fund, \$38.50
To Special Fund.—To Ritter Home.—Carthage, for furnishing room, \$12.50.  Total, \$12.50.  To Watts de Peyster Home.—Carthage, thank-offering, \$6.15.  Total, \$6.15.
Total to Special Fund,
Central Missouri Conference.
Mrs. G. B. Abbott, Treasurer.
To General Fund.—Kansas City District.—Georgetown, \$1; Marshall, \$2.50; Slater, So cents.  St. Joe District.—Columbia, \$1; Fayette, \$2.  St. Louis District.—Greenfield, \$1; Rolla, 50 cents; Springfield, \$6.30.  Total, \$7.80.  Total, \$7.80.  Total, \$1.
Conference gatherings, \$1. Total, \$1.  Total to General Fund \$17.10.

#### Central New York Conference.

Mrs. J. F. Pease, Treasurer, 107 Merriman Avenue, Syracuse, New York.

To General Fund.—AUBURN DISTRICT.—Auburn: First Church, \$58; Circle, \$2: Wall Street, \$34; Clyde \$30; Fairhaven, \$1; Ithaca: First Church, \$32: Lock Berlin, \$2.15; North Lansing, \$2: Red Creek, \$18,50; Savannah, \$14,75; mite-box, 71 cents; Seneca Falls, \$15.50; Victory, \$14.82; Circle, \$1.34; Band, 66 cents; Weedsport, \$23.75; mite-box, \$3.84; Circle, \$7.57; Band, \$1.94; Wolcott, \$5.

CAZENOVIA DISTRICT. — Canastota, \$24.25; Circle, \$2.20; Cazenovia, \$41; Chittenango, \$2.76; Circle, \$9.65; mite-box, \$2.65; Cortland, \$43; Band, \$2; mite-boxes, to make Mrs. L. H. Peuce life member, \$6.60; De Ruyter, \$8.50; Homer, \$19.50; Keeney's Settlement, \$10.10; Maulius, \$23; North Pitcher, \$1; Oneida, \$31.30; West Dryden, \$7.45; West Eaton, \$7.75; to make Mrs. Susan Darrow life member, \$20. Total, \$262.71.

ELMIRA DISTRICT. — Canton, Pa., \$23; Band, \$2.31; Catherine, Miss Lucinda Couch and sisters, \$3; Caton, \$16.25; Daggetts Mills, \$1; East Smithfield, \$1; Elmira: First Church, \$41.30; "Home Lights," \$7; Hedding, \$23; Circle, \$2.50; Riverside, \$14.25; Miamisburg, \$1; Rutland, \$15; Troy, Pa., \$21.50.

Total, \$172.11.

GENEVA DISTRICT.—Bellona, Circle, \$5.75; Benton Center, \$2; Canandaigua, \$26; to make Mrs. Lester Adams life member, \$20; Geneva, \$26; Lyons, \$42; Marion, \$3.05; Milo Center, \$18; Middlesex, \$5.05; Newark, \$14; Mrs. R. M. Reed, thank-offering, \$8; Palmyra, \$19,70; Penn Yan, \$28.50; Phelps, \$2; Port Gibson, \$5; Sodus, \$32.17; mite-boxes, \$4.21; Trumansburg, \$9.75; Williamson, \$10.25. Total, \$281.43.

SYRACUSE DISTRICT.—Baldwinsville, \$50; mite-boxes, \$10; Circle, \$5.50; De Witt, \$18; mite-boxes, \$7.75; Euclid, \$11; Little Utica, \$14.75; "Home Lights," \$11; Liverpool, \$10.23; mite-boxes, \$1.38; Manlius Station, \$8; Onondaga Indian Mission, \$1; Syracuse: Centenary, \$45.50; Erwin, \$17.50; First Church, \$67.10; Life member, \$20; First Ward, \$25.62. Furman Street, \$21.50; Life member, \$20; University Avenue, \$16.50; West

Genesee Street, \$31. Total, \$413.33. Children's Paper: Cazenovia District, \$5; Elmira District, \$5; Syracuse District, \$5; Trumansburg, \$5. Total, \$20.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . . . . . .

To Special General Fund. - For salary: De Witt, \$4; special gifts: Elmira: Hedding, \$3; Newark, \$7; Sodus, 25 cents; Liverpool, through Mrs. S. E. Pease, \$4. Total, \$18.25.

To Beneficiary Fund. - To Dulce. - Elmira: First Church, to make Mrs. E. M. Mills life member, \$20. Total, \$20.

To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Elmira: Hedding, \$50; Milo Center, To Jesse Lee Home, Unataska.—Ellinira: Hedding, \$50, Millo Cellel, \$2; Penu Yan, Queen Esther Circle, for Eudocia Sedick, \$50; Syracuse: Centenary, \$9.54; mite-boxes, \$5.46; First Church, \$8; "Golden Rule" Band, \$1; Troy, Pa., mite-boxes, \$4.46.

To Ritter Home.—For Victoria Morris: Elmira: Hedding, \$10
R. R. Stockdale, \$25.

To Stickney Home. - Syracuse: First Ward, \$10; Weedsport, for Maria

Coffee, \$9.01; Mrs. L. Stickney, \$12. Total, \$31.01. To Watts de Peyster Home. - Weedsport, "Queen Esther" Circle, \$5. Total, \$5.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . \$221.47.

To Special Fund.—To E. L. Rust Home.—Milo Center, \$4.

Total, \$4. To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Baldwinsville, \$5; Band, \$2; Cortland, to name room and make Mrs. T. S. Price honorary manager, \$100; Syracuse: First Church, \$15; mite-boxes toward naming a room, \$24; University
Avenue \$15: West Genesee Street, \$15.

Total, \$176. .Avenue, \$15; West Genesee Street, \$15.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Home, Memorial Fund.—Weedsport, \$1

Total, \$1. To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Anburn: Wall Street, So cents; Baldwinsville, \$4.30; Canton, Pa., \$1.90; Canastota, Circle, \$2.90; Chittenango, \$2.20; Clyde, \$2.80; Cortland, 50 cents; De Witt, \$2; Elmira: First Church, \$2; Ithaca: First Church, Band, \$1.41; Palmyra, 70 cents; Syracuse, Centenary, \$3.90; toward a bed, \$5; Band of "Willing Workers," \$5; First Church, \$5.80; West Genesee Street, \$3.50; Weedsport, 40 cents.

Total, \$45.11. To Peck Home.—Syracuse District for sidewalk, \$10. Total \$10.

To Peck Home.—Syracuse District for sidewalk, \$10.

To Ponca for horse.—Lyons, \$2.

To Ritter Home.—Mrs. J. F. Pease, \$5.

To Deaconess Home, Syracuse.—Auburn; First Church, \$10; Baldwinsville, \$15; Circle, \$15; Caton, \$5; Cazenovia, \$10; Cortland, \$10; Cuyler, \$10; Elmira: Hedding, \$25; Riverside, \$5; De Witt, \$24; Ithaca: First Church, \$10; Lyons, \$5; Milo Center, \$5; Oneida, \$10; Penn Yan, \$10; Syracuse: Centenary, \$38; Erwin, \$13; First Church, \$52.50; "Lend a Hand" Circle, \$37; First Ward, \$4.12; Furman Street, \$10; University Avenue, \$4.50; West Genesee Street, \$12; Weedsport, 75 cents; Band, \$12.45; Mrs. J. F. Pease, \$10; Mrs. A. B. Miller, \$10; Mrs. Gedder, \$12; Mrs. C. E. Cherry, \$10; Mrs. Iolin Lasey, \$4. Mrs. C. E. Cherry, \$10; Mrs. John Lasev, \$4. Total, \$399.32.

#### Central Ohio Conference.

MRS. D. L. WILLIAMS, Treasurer, Delaware, Ohio.

To General Fund.—Bellefontaine District.—Anna, \$16.50; Bellefontaine, \$31.75; De Graff, \$16.25; Hardin, \$14,50; Lena, \$5.86; Quincy, \$13.50; St. Paris, \$8; Sidney, \$65.

DEFIANCE DISTRICT.—Ayersville, \$13.50; Bryan, \$18.25; Defiance, DEFIANCE DISTRICT. Ayersvine, \$13.30, \$2.75; Ottawa, \$20; Pioneer, \$2.8.75; Circle, \$15.50; Florida, \$3; Leipsic, \$2.75; Ottawa, \$20; Pioneer, Total, \$133.25.

Del.Aware District.—Delaware: Asbury, \$43.84; William Street, \$43.50; Marion, \$77; Marysville, \$40.75; Prospect, \$10.75; Upper Sandusky, \$5.50; West Mansfield: Bethel, \$10.40.

Total, \$231.74.

\$5.50; West Mansfield: Bethel, \$10.40.
FINDLAY DISTRICT.—Ada, \$23.65; Bloomdale, \$9.90: Carey, \$13; Findlay: First Church, \$33; Fostoria, \$42; Fremont, \$60; Houcktown, Total, 187.30.

LIMA DISTRICT.—Delphos, \$12.55; Herring, \$1; Lima: Trinity, \$45.50; koneta, \$18.75.

Toledo District.—Bowling Green, \$31; Gibsonburg, \$24; Oak Harbor, \$12; Richfield Center: Farley Church, \$7.71; Tinney: Mount Zion bor, \$12; Richfield Center: Farley Church, \$7,77, talley. Education Church, \$20; Toledo: Albany Street, \$10; Broadway, \$18.25; Epworth, \$7; Third Street, \$3.50; St. Paul, \$77; Band, \$8.40; for children's paper: Gibsonburg, \$1; Tinney, \$1; Toledo: Broadway, 50 cents; St. Paul, \$1.

Total, \$222.36.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . \$1,109.50.

To Special General Fund.—Ayersville, \$3.40; Bellefontaine, \$10; Bowling Green, \$10; Delaware: Asbury, \$1.90; William Street, \$5; Delphos, \$8.85; Findlay, \$5.36; Fremont, \$5; Gibsonburg, \$20; Houcktown, \$1; Herring, \$1; Middlepoint: Grace, \$5.50; Oak Harbor, \$4; Ottawa, \$40; Perry, \$2; Prospect, \$7.79; St. Paris, \$4; Toledo: Broadway, \$3; Third Street, \$2; Van Wert, \$3.

Total to Special General Fund, . . . . . . . . \$142.80.

To Beneficiary Fund.—To Haven Home.—Toledo: St. Paul, Circle, \$17.80; for Margaret Lawton, \$40. Total, \$57.80.

To Jesse Lee Home, Onataska.—Ayers, the, \$72.10, ware: Asbury, \$31.62; Fostoria, \$15; Fremont, \$5; Prospect, \$8; Quincy, Total, \$88.72. To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Ayersville, \$12.10; Defiance, \$7; Dela-

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Toledo: St. Paul's, \$100. Total, \$100. To Ritter Home.—Defiance, Circle, \$33.43; Sidney, Circle, 10; Wapa-Total, \$83.43. koneta, \$40.

To Stickney Home. - Anna, \$10; Van Wert, \$4; for Ella A., Van Wert, \$6. Total, \$20.

To Special Fund.—To Albuquerque.—Defiance, \$15. Total, \$15. To Asheville.—Bowling Green, \$10; Findlay, \$11.65; Marion, \$200; Sidney, \$10; Toledo: St. Paul, \$14.76; for building: Antwerp, \$2.50; Bowling Green, \$13; De Graff, \$20; Delaware: William Street, \$34; Houcktown, \$6.25; Marion, \$18; Marysville, \$30; Sidney, \$20; to name a room, \$40; Toledo: St. Paul, \$50.

Total, \$480.16.

\$40; Toledo: St. Paul, \$50.

To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Defiance, \$23; Delaware: Asbury, \$14.64; Hardin, \$5; Tinney, \$20; Toledo: St. Paul, \$50.

To King Home.—Defiance, \$10; Bowling Green, \$5; Marion, \$5.

Total, \$20.

Total, \$20.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Bellefontaine, \$25.
Total, \$25.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Fremont, \$1.30; Mercer, \$2.70: Middle-point: Grace, \$4; Prospect, \$2.

To Ritter Home.—Antwerp, \$2; Bowling Green, \$5; Defiance, \$18.50; for a furnace, \$5; a friend, \$100; Delaware: William Street, \$38.80; Delphos, \$2; Fostoria, \$15; Herring, to name a room, \$10; Mendon, \$5; Middlepoint: Grace, \$6; Pioneer, \$10; Sidney, \$25. Total, \$242.30.

Total, \$2. To Sibley Hospital.—Delaware: Asbury, \$2. 

### Central Pennsylvania Conference.

MISS L. MINNIE HURSH, Treasurer, 212 North Second Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

To General Fund .- ALTOONA DISTRICT .- Altoona: Eighth Avenue, \$47.50. First Church, \$7.25; Circle, \$1.25; Beech Creck, \$3; Bellefonte, \$16.75; Houtzdale, \$12.

Total, \$87.75.

DANVILLE DISTRICT.—Berwick, \$34; Hamline, \$6.16; Hazleton: St. Paul, \$22.50; Mountain Grove Camp Auxiliary, \$9; Shamokin, \$28; Sunbury, \$29 50. Total, \$129.16.

HARRISBURG DISTRICT.—Carlisle, \$27.75; Chambersburg, \$34.25; Harrisburg: Grace, \$94.25; Ridge Avenue, \$21.50; Thirteenth Street, \$16.75; Total, \$195.50. JUNIATA DISTRICT.—Lewistown, \$5; Mt. Union, \$13. Total, \$18. WILLIAMSPORT DISTRICT.—Jersey Shore, \$24.75; Lock Haven: Trinity, \$28; Milton, \$20; Montoursville, \$7.50; Renova, \$2; Williamsport: Fourth Street, \$14.15; Grace, \$15; Circle, \$1.25; High Street, \$6.50; Mulberry Street, \$53; Young Ladies' Circle, \$13.50; Pine Street, \$64.10; Third Street, \$26.

From mite-boxes, \$65.93.

Total, \$65.93

FROM MITE-BOXES.—Altoona: Eighth Avenue, \$7.33; Bedford, \$3.60; Berwick, \$18; Bloomsburg, \$3; Carlisle, \$9.68; Cassville, 50 cents; Chambersburg, \$8.46; Harrisburg: Grace, \$3.165; Ridge Avenue, \$1.90; Baud, \$6; Thirteenth Street, \$3.10; Hazleton: St. Paul's, \$11.68; Houtzdale, \$2.25; Jersey Shore, \$20.30; Lamonte, \$5; Lock Haven: Trinity, \$13; Milton. \$13; Mt. Union, \$1.50; Newberry, \$1; Philipsburg, \$5.31, Royel, \$1, 50; High \$2; Sunbury, \$6.75; Williamsport: Fourth Street, \$7; Grace, \$1.50; High Street, \$10.07; Mulberry Street, \$22.49; Pine Street, \$4.52; Third Street, Total, \$215.95. Mt. Union, \$1.50; Newberry, \$1; Phillipsburg, \$3.31; Royer, \$1; Shamokin,

Of this amount, \$50 is for Florence Loar, beneficiary in Mothers' Jewels Home; \$50 for beneficiary in Jesse Lee Home; \$50 for Isaac Watts in

Stickney Home; and \$65.93 for General Fund.

To Special General Fund.—Thank-offering.—Berwick, \$8; Harrisburg: Grace, \$8; Milton, \$2.25; Williamsport: Grace, \$5. Total, \$23.25.

To Miss Tripp's Salary.—Altoona: Eighth Avenue, \$15; Berwick, \$22; Carlisle, \$10; Chambersburg, \$5.50; Harrisburg: Grace, \$20; Ridge Avenue, \$5; Hazleton: St. Paul, \$20; Houtzdale, \$1; Lock Haven, \$5; Milton, \$5; Newton: Hamilton Camp-meeting, \$20; Shamokin, \$15; Sunbury, \$5.75; Williamsport: Fourth Street, \$5; High Street, \$10; Mulberry Street,

\$30; Pine Street, \$10.

For Mrs. Miller.—Carlisle, \$5; Harrisburg: Thirteenth Street, \$5; Williamsport: Pine Street, \$5.50; Mountain Grove Camp-meeting, to make Mrs. Rev. W. P. Eveland life member, \$20. Total, \$35.50.

Total to Special General Fund, . . . . . . . . . \$263.

To Beneficiary Fund.—To Jessie Lee Home.—From mite-boxes, \$50. Total, \$50.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—From mite-boxes, \$50. To Stickney Home.—From mite-boxes, \$50. Total, \$50.

Total, \$50. To Lucy Webb Hayes Home and Training-school.-For Miss Bartlett—Altoona: Eighth Avenue, \$15; First Church, \$2.60; Clearfield, \$5; Harrisburg: Grace, \$10; Houtzdale, \$2.40; Jersey Shore, \$5; Lock Haven, \$5; Shamokin, \$5; Sunbury, \$5; Williamsport: Mulberry Street, \$20; books, \$7.42; Circle, \$20; Epworth League, \$10; Wrightsville, \$10.

Total, \$122.42.

To Special Fund.—To Haven Home.—Altoona: First Church, \$1. Total, \$1.

To Jessie Lee Home.—Bellefoute, \$5. Total, \$5 To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Austin, \$2.20; Bedford, \$1; Berwick, \$3.40; Carlisle, \$5.50; Chambersburg, 50 cents; Harrisburg: Grace, \$12; Thirteenth Street, \$13.50; Hazleton: St. Paul, \$2.10; Jersey Shore, \$2.50; Mt. Union, \$1: Shamokin, \$5; Sunbury, \$7.05; Williamsport: Mulberry Total, \$57.75. Street, \$2.

To Ponca, for Horse.—Hazleton, \$1. Total, \$1. 

Grand total, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1,372.26. 

### Cincinnati Conference.

MRS. J. G. R. WRIGHT, Treasurer, 25 Highland Avenue, Walnut Hills. Cincinnati, Ohio.

To General Fund.—Carthage, \$38.50; Cincinnati: Asbury, \$9.50; Avondale, \$40.20; Christie, \$56; Cumminsville, \$20.10; Fairmount, \$2; Mt. Auburn, \$16; Mt. Lookout, \$30; North Side, \$4.75; Price Hill, \$5; \$1. Paul, \$20; Trinity, \$49.43; to make Mrs. S. C. Stevenson life member, St. Paul, \$20; Trinity, \$49.43; to make arts. 5. C. Stevenson in the street, \$20; Walnut Hills, \$90.50; Circle, \$6.50; Vork Street, \$20; Evanston, \$4.50; Glenn Home Auxiliary, \$10; Hartwell, \$41.25; Ivanhoe, \$46.50; Pleasant Ridge, \$17; Red Bank, \$10; Venice, \$3; Winton Place, \$25.25; Circle, \$3.25.

Total, \$589.23.

DAYTON DISTRICT.—Brookville, \$12.75; Dayton: Broadway, \$17; Grace, \$49.75; Raper, \$135.30; Circle, \$4.75; St. Paul's, \$43.50; Eaton: St. Paul's, \$20.25; Fort Jefferson, \$1; Miamisburg, \$20; Springboro, \$13.50; Troy: Total, \$359.

GEORGETOWN DISTRICT.—Bethel, \$5; Lebanon, \$4.20; Ripley, \$1. Total, \$10.20.

HILLSBORO DISTRICT.—Bowersville, \$1; Eaton, \$10; Greenfield, \$17; Hillsboro, \$25; Leesburg, \$9; Olive Chapel, \$2; Sabina, \$3.

Springfield District.—Greenville, \$8.75; Mechanicsburg, \$6.25; Middletown, \$29.40; Piqua: Greene Street, \$55; Springfield: Central Church, Middetown, \$29.40; Piqua: Greene Street, \$55; Springheld: Central Church, \$31.50; First Church, \$6; High Street, \$76; St. Paul, \$37; Trinity, \$13; Troy: Mulberry Street, \$25.25; Urbana: First Church, \$40; Circle, \$6; Grace, \$35; Xenia: First Church, \$36.50; Band, \$6.45; Trinity, \$84.44; Book Room, \$1; Yellow Springs, \$10.90.

FROM MITE-BOXES.—Cincinnati: Avondale, \$10.80; Christie, \$27.42; Norwood, \$2.25; Trinity, \$13.91; York Street, \$1; Dayton: St. Paul's, \$1; Greenfield, \$4.28; Troy: Mulberry Street, \$6; Urbana: First Church, \$5.

Total, \$71.66.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . \$1,605.53.

To Special General Fund.—For Mothers' Jewels Home.—Cincinnati:

Avondale, for Miss Herron, \$5; Dayton: Raper, for Miss Penfield, \$15; for Miss Sigler's assistant, \$5; Xenia: Trinity, \$44.93.

Special Gifts.—Cincinnati: Avondale, \$6.60; Mt. Lookout, \$2.30; St. Paul, \$5; Trinity, \$9.43; Walnut Hills, \$14.06; York Street, \$3; Dayton: Broadway, \$10; Miamisburg, \$3.50; Springboro, 2.77; Springfield: High Street, \$8.28; St. Paul, \$5; Troy: Mulberry Street, \$5.

Total, \$74.94.

Total to Special General Fund, .

To Beneficiary Fund.—To Emerson Home.—Mt. Auburu, \$15.

Total, \$15.
To Haven Home.—Cincinnati: Walnut Hills, "Earnest Toilers," for Bessie Gillan, \$28. Total, \$28.

To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Cincinnati: Ivanhoe, \$1.25; Dayton: Broadway, \$1.25; Grace, \$1.25; Springfield: High Street, \$2.15; Springboro, 75 cents; Urbana: Grace, \$1.81.

Total, \$8.46.

To King Home.—Cincinnati: St. Paul, Mrs. Goslings, \$5; Hillsboro,

thank-offering, \$8.10.

uk-offering, \$8.10. To Simpson Home.—Dayton: Raper, for Gertie Bostic, \$20; Circle, \$5. Total, \$25.

To Stickney Home.—Cincinnati: Winton Place, for Pocahoutas, \$40; Xenia: First Church, \$27.86; Circle, \$7.62; Band, \$8.52; Trinity, \$18. Total, \$102.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ..... \$191.56.

To Special Fund.—To Asheville.—Cincinnati: Avondale, \$1.25; Carthage, \$1.25; Cumminsville, \$1.25; Ivanhoe, \$1.25; Mt. Auburn, \$2.50; Mt. Lookout, \$1.25; St. Paul, \$1.25; Trinity, \$1.25; Walnut Hills, \$58.25; York Street, 50 cents; Dayton: Broadway, \$1.25; Grace, \$1.25; Raper, \$1.25; Eaton, \$5; Hartwell, \$1.25; Miamisburg, \$1; Middletown, \$1.25; Springboro, 75 cents; Springfield: High Street, \$2.15; Troy: Mulberry Street, \$1.25; Urbana: Grace, \$1.81; Yellow Springs, \$1.12.

To Dulce.—Springfield: Central Church, 81 cents.

Total, \$9.33. To Dulce.—Springfield: Central Church, 81 cents. Total, 81 cents.

To Glenn Home.—Brookville, \$2; Cincinnati: Asbury, \$15; Avondale, \$239.24; Carthage, \$16.10; Christie, \$108.08; "Ready Hands," \$15; Columbia, \$21.18; Cumminsville, \$21.88; Ivauloe, \$34.52; Mt. Auburn, \$2; Mt. Lookout, \$93.58; Price Hill, \$47.23; St. Paul, \$119.03; Trinity, \$106.07; Walnut Hills, \$371.41; Wesley, \$16.97; Winton Place, \$48.72; "Sunbeams," \$2; York Street, \$33.12; Clifton, \$1; Dayton: Raper, \$5; Delhi, \$5; Greenfield, \$10; Hartwell, \$40.50; Mechanicsburg, \$8.75; Pleasant Ridge, \$11.33; from mite-boxes—Cincinnati: St. Paul, \$3.10; Walnut Hills, \$34.85; York Street, \$9; Middletown: Broadway, \$5. Street, \$9; Middletown: Broadway, \$5. Total, \$1,446.76.

To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Cincinnati: Avondale, \$1.25; Carthage,

\$1.25; Cumminsville, \$1.25; Mt. Lookout, \$1.25; Mt. Auburn, \$2.50; St. Paul, \$1.25; Trinity, \$1.25; Walnut Hills, \$51.25; York Street, 50 cents; Hartwell, \$1.25; Dayton: Raper, \$2; Miamisburg, \$1; Middletown, \$1.25; Springfield: Central, 81 cents; Troy: Mulberry Street, \$1.25; Yellow

Springs, \$1.13.

To King Home.—Hillsboro, \$8.10.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Home and Training-school.—Cincinnati: AvonTo Lucy Webb Hayes \$2.50; Cumminsville, \$2.50; Ivanhoe, \$2.50; Mt.

Webbut Hills, \$2.50; York dale, \$2.50; Carthage, \$2.50; Cumminsville, \$2.50; Ivanhoe, \$2.50; Mt. Lookout, \$2.50; St. Paul, \$2.50; Trinity, \$2.50; Walnut Hills, \$2.50; York Street, \$1; Dayton: Broadway, \$2.50; Grace, \$2.50; Raper, \$2.50; Hartwell, \$2.50; Miamisburg, \$2; Middletown, \$2.50; Memorial Fund, Mrs. Aiken, \$1; Springboro, \$1.50; Springfield, \$4.30; Troy: Mulberry Street, \$2.50; Urbana: Grace, \$3.63; Yellow Springs, \$2.25.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Cincinnati: Avondale, \$9.90; Christie, \$4.80; Clevn Home Auxiliary, \$2.50; Ivanhoe, \$1.80; Mt Lookout, \$2.55;

\$4.80; Glenn Home Auxiliary, \$2.50; Ivanhoe, \$1.80; Mt. Lookout, \$2.55; Norwood, \$1.30; Trinity, \$1.40; Walnut Hills, to furnish room, \$50; Winton Place, \$15.10; Dayton: Grace, \$10.40; Raper, \$4; St. Paul, \$3.50; Greenfield, \$1.62; Hartwell, \$4; Jamestown, \$12; Middletown, \$1.60; Springfield: Central, \$2.50; High Street, \$7.50; to name door or window, \$20; Troy: Mulberry Street, \$3.30; Urbana: First Church, \$1. Total, \$160.77.

Total, \$1. Total, \$5. Total, \$5. Total, \$5. Total, \$5. Total, \$5. Total, \$5. Springfield: High Street, \$20.

To Stickney Home.—Nenia: Trinity, \$32. Total, \$32.

To Stickney Home.—Xema. Tilling, 252.

To Immigrant Home, New Fork.—Cincinnati: Avondale, \$5.

Total, \$5.

4.376.85.

Conference Contingent Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . \$49.50.

#### Colorado Conference.

MRS. D. K. IÆE, Treasurer, 1763 William Street, Denver, Colorado.

To General Fund.—Denver District.—Denver: Asbury, \$27.90; mite-box, \$3.03; Circle, \$4.95; Christ Church, \$31.75; "Queen Esther" Circle, \$17.91; "Light Bearers," \$2; mite-boxes, \$4.08; Fifth Avenue, \$12.40; Circle, \$2.50; Grace, \$15; Grant Avenue, Circle, \$1.83; Simpson, \$14.54; Trinity, \$42; "Daughters of Ruth," \$2; University Park, \$16; Total, \$225.64. Wheat Ridge, \$27.75.

GREELEY DISTRICT.—Boulder, \$9.20; Greeley, \$15.50; mite-boxes, \$4.90; Sterling and Atwood. \$25. Total, \$54.60. PUEBLO DISTRICT.—Colorado Springs, \$33.75; Pueblo: Broadway, \$25; to make Mrs. E. Douglas life member, \$20; First Church, \$13.35; Conference gatherings, \$2; mite-boxes, \$3.03. Total, \$97.13. SALIDA DISTRICT.—Delta, \$7.50; Grand Junction, \$5.50; Salida, \$5.25. Total, \$18.25.
To Frontier Work, received by voucher, \$60. Total, \$60.  Total to General Fund, \$455.62.
To Beneficiary Fund.—To New Jersey Home.—University Park, \$17. Total, \$17.
Total to Beneficiary Fund,
To Special Fund.—To Albuquerque.—Colorado Springs, \$10; Denver: Asbury, Circle, \$1; Christ Church, \$5; Pueblo: First Church, \$1.60; without special credits, \$635.99.  To Dulce.—Denver: Asbury, 50 cents; Greeley, 50 cents; Grace, 50 cents; Fifth Avenue, 50 cents; Wheat Ridge, 50 cents.  To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Denver: Asbury, \$3.60; Christ Church, \$5; Greeley, \$1.23; Trinity, \$1.50.  Total to Special Fund,
Columbia River Con erence
Columbia River Con.erence.  To General Fund.—Columbia District.—Davenport, \$1; Delight, \$1; Ellensburg Circuit, \$1; Fort Simco, \$3; Fruitland, \$1; North Yakima, \$3; Post Falls, \$1; Prosser, \$1; Waterville, \$1; Wilbur, \$1; Yakima Circuit, \$1.
To General Fund.—Columbia District.—Davenport, \$1; Delight, \$1; Ellensburg Circuit, \$1; Fort Sinco, \$3; Fruitland, \$1; North Yakima, \$3; Post Falls, \$1; Prosser, \$1; Waterville, \$1; Wilbur, \$1; Yakima Circuit, \$1.  Total, \$15.  Dalles District.—Antelope, \$1; Brickleton, \$1; Goldendale, \$1; Prineville, \$1.  Spokane District.—Garfield, \$2; Grangeville, \$1; Jamison, \$1; Latah, \$3; Lewiston, 2; Moran, 50 cents; Moscow, \$15.90; Paradise, \$1; Spokaue: First Church, \$1,50; Jefferson Street, \$2.  Walla Walla District.—Alba, \$1; Athena, Rev. F. A. La Vailette, \$1; Dixie, \$6; Milton, \$8.25; Pendleton, \$5.50; Waitsburg, \$2; Walla Walla: First Church, \$13; Conference members, \$1.25; Weston, Rev. F. L. Buzzell, \$3.  Conference gatherings, \$5; honorary members, \$4.75.  Total, \$9.75.  Total to General Fund,
To General Fund.—Columbia District.—Davenport, \$1; Delight, \$1; Ellensburg Circuit, \$1; Fort Sinco, \$3; Fruitland, \$1; North Yakima, \$3; Post Falls, \$1; Prosser, \$1; Waterville, \$1; Wilbur, \$1; Yakima Circuit, \$1.  Dalles District.—Antelope, \$1; Brickleton, \$1; Goldendale, \$1; Prineville, \$1.  Spokane District.—Garfield, \$2; Grangeville, \$1; Jamison, \$1; Latah, \$3; Lewiston. 2; Moran, 50 cents; Moscow, \$15.90; Paradise, \$1; Spokane: First Church, \$1.50; Jefferson Street, \$2.  Walla Walla District.—Alba, \$1; Athena, Rev. F. A. La Vailette, \$1; Dixie, \$6; Milton, \$8.25; Pendleton, \$5.50; Waitsburg, \$2; Walla Walla: First Church, \$13; Conference members, \$1.25; Weston, Rev. F. L. Buzzell, \$3.  Conference gatherings, \$5; honorary members, \$4.75.  Total, \$41.  Conference gatherings, \$5; honorary members, \$4.75.  Total, \$9.75.  Total to General Fund,
To General Fund.—Columbia District.—Davenport, \$1; Delight, \$1; Ellensburg Circuit, \$1; Fort Simco, \$3; Fruitland, \$1; North Yakima, \$3; Post Falls, \$1; Prosser, \$1; Waterville, \$1; Wilbur, \$1; Yakima Circuit, \$1. Total, \$15. Dalles District.—Antelope, \$1; Brickleton, \$1; Goldendale, \$1; Prineville, \$1. Total, \$4. SPOKANE DISTRICT.—Garfield, \$2; Grangeville, \$1; Jamison, \$1; Latah, \$3; Lewiston, 2; Moran, 50 cents; Moscow, \$15.90; Paradise, \$1; Spokaue: First Church, \$1.50; Jefferson Street, \$2. Total, \$29.90. Walla Walla District.—Alba, \$1; Athena, Rev. F. A. La Vailette, \$1; Dixie, \$6; Milton, \$8.25; Pendleton, \$5.50; Waitsburg, \$2; Walla Walla: First Church, \$13; Conference members, \$1.25; Weston, Rev. F. L. Buzzell, \$3. Conference gatherings, \$5; honorary members, \$4.75. Total, \$9.75. Total to General Fund, \$9.965.  To Special Fund.—To Immigrant Work, New York.—Conference collection, \$4.20. Total to Special Fund, \$4.20. Grand total, \$4.20.
To General Fund.—Columbia District.—Davenport, \$1; Delight, \$1; Ellensburg Circuit, \$1; Fort Sinico, \$3; Fruitland, \$1; North Yakima, \$3; Post Falls, \$1; Prosser, \$1; Waterville, \$1; Wilbur, \$1; Yakima Circuit, \$1.  Dalles District.—Antelope, \$1; Brickleton, \$1; Goldendale, \$1; Prineville, \$1.  Spokane District.—Garfield, \$2; Grangeville, \$1; Jamison, \$1; Latah, \$3; Lewiston, 2; Moran, 50 cents; Moscow, \$15,90; Paradise, \$1; Spokane: First Church, \$1.50; Jefferson Street, \$2.  Walla Walla District.—Alba, \$1; Athena, Rev. F. A. La Vailette, \$1; Dixie, \$6; Milton, \$8.25; Pendleton, \$5.50; Waitsburg, \$2; Walla Walla: First Church, \$13; Conference members, \$1.25; Weston, Rev. F. L. Buzzell, \$3.  Conference gatherings, \$5; honorary members, \$4.75.  Total to General Fund,

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MRS. E. M. HOLMES, Treasurer, Boone, Iowa.

To General Fund.—BOONE DISTRICT.—Cambridge, \$6.85; Carroll, \$20; Churdan, \$14.25; collection, \$1; Collins, \$1.50; Coon Rapids, \$9.60; Dallas Center, \$8.75; Dallas Center Circuit: Bethel Church, \$4.25; Grand Junction, \$15.25; mite-boxes, \$9.99; collection, \$1.05; Jamaica, \$2; Jefferson, \$7.75; Jerfferson Circuit: Mt. Hood, \$3.50; collection, \$2.10; Panther: Bethel Church, \$7.50; Prairie Center, \$2.25.

Total, \$117.59.

CRESTON DISTRICT.—Elliott, \$16.15.  DES MOINES DISTRICT.—Des Moines: Capital Park, \$13; First Church, \$44; Grace, \$4.50; Wesley, \$20.10.  Conference collections, \$27; Conference members: Mrs. A. W. Burns, \$1; Mrs. A. E. Flummar, \$1; Mrs. H. Turner, \$1; Mrs. A. A. Walburn, \$1; Mrs. L. A. Conway, \$1; Miss Georgiana Dean, \$1; Ames, \$3; from miteboxes: Collins, \$1.20; Grand Junction, \$6.06; Des Moines: Capital Park, \$1.  Total to General Fund, \$259.60.
To Special General Fund.—Grand Junction: Special gift, \$3.
Total, \$3.  Total to Special General Fund,
To Beneficiary Fund.—To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Des Moines: Wesley Church, \$5.  To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Cambridge: through Mrs. Alice Warner, \$2.20.  To Ritter Home.—Prescott, \$12.25.  To Stickney Home.—Panther: Bethel Church, mite-boxes, \$2.40.
Total, \$2.40. Total to Beneficiary Fund, \$21.85. Grand total,
Detroit Conference.
Mrs. C. H. Morgan, Treasurer, Vassar, Michigan.
To General Fund.—Reported by Districts.—Adrian, \$349.33; Bay City, \$284.70; Detroit, \$700.85; Detroit City: Central Church, toward making life member, \$19; Flint, \$315.55; Lake Superior, \$59.45; Port Huron, \$216; Saginaw, \$250.67.  To Presiding Elders in Districts.—Adrian, \$58; Bay City, \$489; Detroit, \$39; Flint, \$114; Lake Superior, \$462; Port Huron, \$449; Saginaw, \$291.  To Frontier Work.—Adrian, \$16.10; Ann Arbor, \$17; Birmingham, \$12; Caro, \$20; Detroit: Cass Avenue, \$49.03; Central, \$15.70; Haven, \$15; Hudson Avenue, \$28.29; Simpson, \$59.73; Woodward Avenue, \$15; East Tawas, \$1; Flint: Court Street, \$5; Grass Lake, \$5; Hudson, \$12; Marquette, \$17; Owosso, \$35.17; Pontiac, \$48.21; Port Hope, \$10; Port Huron: Lapeer Avenue, \$5; Macomb Avenue, \$5.35; Mt. Clemens, \$31.25; Zion, \$12; Ridgeway, \$12.07; Saginaw: Michigan Avenue, \$20; Jefferson Street, \$17; Sharon, \$7; Sault Ste. Marie, \$52; Tecumseh, \$10; Vassar, \$5; West Bay City, \$46; West Bloomfield, \$41.86; paid to Mrs. Potter, \$1.78.  Total, \$647.54.
Paid to organizer, \$30.69. Total, \$30.69.
Total to General Fund,
To Special General Fund.—Adrian, special gift, \$2; Ann Arbor, 75 cents; Big Beaver, \$3; Detroit: Cass Avenue, \$5; Central, \$9.25; Simpson, \$5; Rollin Center, \$6.37; Ypsilanti, Mrs. Lucy Rice, \$100. Total, \$131.37.  Total to Special General Fund, \$131.37.
To Beneficiary Fund.—To Albuquerque.—Detroit: Simpson, \$5.
Total, \$5.  To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Detroit: Palmer, \$5.  To Ritter Home.—Detroit: Cass Avenue, \$40.  Total to Beneficiary Fund,

To Special Fund.—To Albuquerque.—Detroit: Cass Avenue, \$9; Central, \$5; Haven, \$5; Hudson Avenue, \$1; Mary Palmer, \$1; Preston, \$2; Tabernacle, \$1; Simpson, \$12; Woodward Avenue, \$2.50; Wyandotte, \$1.

Total, \$39.50.

To Haven Home.—Clyde, \$1; Dansville, \$5.50; Flint: Court Street, \$8.63; Flushing, \$4.20; Fowlersville, \$2.38; Grand Blauc, \$1.10; Howell, \$1; Milford, \$2; Mt. Morris, \$1; Oak Grove, \$1.

To Jesse Lee Home Unglacks, Provided to Total, \$27.81

To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Birmingham, \$2; Detroit: Arnold, \$5; Cass Avenue, \$5; Central, \$2; Haven, \$5; Hudson Avenue, \$2; Simpson, \$5; Tabernacle, \$5; Woodward Avenue, \$5; Pontiac, \$2; Plymouth,

\$2; Ypsilanti, \$5. Total, \$45. To Loan Library.—Adrian, \$5; Ann Arbor, \$2.47; Bay City District, To Loan Library.—Adrian, \$5; Ann Arbor, \$2.47; Bay Chy District, \$10; Bay City: Madison Avenue, \$10; Circle, \$3.60; Big Beaver, \$1; Corunna, \$2.20; Detroit: Arnold, \$1.10; Cass Avenue, \$5; Central, \$6; Hudson Avenue, \$3; Lincoln Avenue, \$13; Palmer, \$2; Preston, \$3; Sharon, \$1; Simpson, \$20; Tabernacle, \$3; Woodward Avenue, \$1.20; Flint: Court Street, \$3; Milford, \$4; Pontiac, \$4; Vassar, \$2; West Bloomfield, \$2.50; Wyandotte, \$1.80.

Total, \$109.87.

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To Marcy Home Building.—Flushing, \$1.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Bay City: Fremont Street, 10 cents; Blaine, 5 cents; Caro, \$1; Corunna, \$2; Detroit: Central, \$10; Haven, \$1; Simp-5 cents; Caro, \$1; Corunna, \$2; Detroit: Central, \$10; Haven, \$1; Simpson, \$4.30; Tabernacle, 50 cents; Flint: Court Street, \$6.70; Fowlersville, \$2; Gaines, \$2; for a widow, \$10; Madison: Circle, \$1.50; Marquette, 90 cents; Owosso, \$4; Plymouth, \$1; Port Huron: Lapeer Avenue, 80 cents; Tecumseh, \$5.10; West Bay City, \$15.

To Hospitat Fund.—Bay City: Madison Avenue, \$27.50; Detroit: Simpson, \$17.18; Tabernacle, \$10; Preston, \$6.42.

Total, \$61.10.

To Tillman Avenue Mission.—Detroit: Grace, 45 cents; paid from General Fund, \$19.33

General Fund, \$19.33

Total, \$19.78.

To Special Frontier Work.—Armada, \$10; Big Beaver, \$5.10; Cham-

pion, \$4; Detroit: Central, \$13.75; Palmer, \$32.10; Orion, \$17.50; Port Huron: Lapeer Avenue, \$15. Total, \$97.45.

To Deaconess Home, Detroit.—Big Beaver, \$3.70; Birmingham, \$6.56; Caro, \$4.25; Clinton, \$10; Detroit: Arnold, \$9.40; Cass Avenue, \$505.80; Central, \$293.50; Grace, \$17.80; Haven, \$28.50; Lincoln Avenue, \$186.22; Palmer, \$13; Preston, \$15; Simpson, \$307.15; Woodward Avenue, \$31.83; Plymouth, \$22.15; Rollin Center, \$5; Wyandotte, \$5.11; Mary Palmer, \$54.21. \$54.21.

Total to Special Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$1,988.64. Grand total, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 6,945.79. 

#### East Maine Conference.

MRS. H. E. Foss, Treasurer, Bangor, Maine.

To General Fund.—BANGOR DISTRICT.—Bangor: Grace, \$6; New-Total, \$7. BUCKPORT DISTRICT.—Buckport, \$11; Mrs. R. L. Allen, \$5; Mrs. A. F. Chase, \$10.25; Pennbroke, \$1. Total, \$27.25. ROCKLAND DISTRICT .- Camden, \$1; Pemaquid, \$1. Total, \$2. Total to General Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$36.25. To Beneficiary Fund.—To Alaska.—Conference collection, \$5.59.

Total, \$5.59. 

Grand total, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 41.84.

#### East Ohio Conference.

MRS. E. K. ARTER, Treasurer, 1922 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

To General Fund.—AKRON DISTRICT.—Akron: First Church, \$143.10; mite-boxes, \$13.22; Atwater, \$1; Bedford, \$10; Bristolville, \$9.50; Cleveland: First Church, \$18; East Liverpool: First Church, \$5.50; Rootstown, \$7; Warren, \$90. Total, \$297.32.

BARNESVILLE DISTRICT.—Barnesville, \$19.75; Circle, \$1.06; Bellaire, \$17.85; Belmont, \$7. Total, \$45.66.

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CAMBRIDGE DISTRICT.—Beverly, \$2; Cambridge, \$37.60; mite-boxes,
\$8.82; "Queen Esther" Circle, \$11.03; "Lucy Webb Hayes" Band, 77
cents; Boys' Band, \$2.77; Thank-offering, \$9.30; Dexter Circle, \$9.40;
Macksburg, \$6; McConnelsville, \$29.35; Rural Dale, \$1. Total, \$118.04.
CANTON DISTRICT.—Alliance, \$29.50; mite-boxes, \$12.28; Canton,
\$25.45; First Church, \$9.75; Simpson, \$7; Dell Roy, \$1; Massillon, \$23;
Salem, \$3.75; "Queen Esthers," \$12.75.

CLEVELAND DISTRICT.—Cleveland: Ashury, \$25; Broadway, \$10. En

CLEVELAND DISTRICT.—Cleveland: Asbury, \$25; Broadway, \$10; Epworth Memorial, \$62.10; mite-boxes, \$13.23; Euclid Avenue, \$33; Fairmount, \$12; First Church, \$24; Grace, \$7.75; North Madison, \$5; Wade Park, \$17.50; mite-boxes, \$7.52; Wilson Avenue, \$34; Geneva: First Church, \$33.75; Little Mountain, \$12.50; Mayfield, \$6; Mentor, \$4; North Geneva, \$4; Painesville, \$27.25; Circle, \$3.10; Perry, \$14.75; Saybrook, \$5. Total, \$361.45.

NEW PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—Coshocton, \$15.75; Piedmont, \$7: Total, \$45.75. Uhrichsville, \$23.

STEUBENVILLE DISTRICT.—Center Chapel, \$14.50; East Liverpool, \$21.50; Martin's Ferry, \$31.40; mite-boxes, \$4.96; thank offering, \$5; Mingo Junction, \$6.50; Steubenville: First Church, \$18.25; Hamline, \$37.25; Wellsville, \$29.25.

YOUNGSTOWN DISTRICT.—Amboy, \$1.75; Ashtabula, \$14; thank-offering,

\$6.60; Clark's Corners, \$12.50; Conneaut, \$12.25; Cortland, \$26.50; Dexter City, \$2.75; Dorset, \$17.25; Greensburg, \$25.50; Gustavus, \$18.75; Jefferson, \$20.40; honorary patrons, \$5 cents; Johnsville, \$3.75; Kingsville, \$18.25; mite-boxes, \$5.88; Mesopotamia, \$6.75; West Mecca, \$5.50; Youngstown: Park Street, \$11.

Total to General Fund . . . . . . . . . . . . \$1,371.54.

To Special General Fund.—To Mothers' Jewels Home.—For Miss To Special General Fund.

Middaugh's salary—Cleveland: Epworth, \$3.10.

For Missionary at Provo Home.—Coshocton, \$5; Dorset, \$6; JefferTotal, \$2,150.

West Mecca, \$4.

Total, \$2,150.

son, \$\$; Little Mountain, \$1.50; West Mecca, \$4. Total, \$24.50.

Gift on Debt.—Akron: First Church, "Queen Esther" Circle, \$30; Cambridge, \$16.03; Cortland, \$10; Cleveland: First Church, \$16.80; Euclid Avenue, \$7.40; Fairmount, \$3.68; Mayfield, \$3.64.

Total, \$87.55.

Total to Special General Fund, . . . . . . . . \$115.15.

To Beneficiary Fund.—To A. M. Smith Home.—Cleveland: First Church, \$15; Massillon, \$9.62. Total, \$24.62.

To Bennett Home.—Cleveland: Euclid Avenue, \$5.50. Total, \$5.50.

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To Emerson Home.—Painesville, \$44.

To King Home.—Akron: First Church, \$46; Cambridge: Queen Esther" Circle, \$17.16; Canton: First Church, \$40; Cleveland: Epworth, thank-offering, \$10.97; Fairmount, \$5; First Church, Circle, \$22; miteboxes, \$4; Geneva, \$3.70; Steubenville: Hamline Church, \$3.93; Mrs. Arter, \$5.

To New Jersey Home.—Cleveland: Broadway, for Mattie Smith, \$2.50.

To Stephen Clark \$7.50.

\$22.50; for Elizabeth Clark, \$7.50. Total, \$30.

To Peck Home.—Akron: First Church, \$46; Alliance, \$20; Cleveland: Epworth, thank-offering, \$10.98; First Church, \$39; Grace, thank-offering, \$1; Little Mountain, \$1.15; Massillon, \$20; Warren, \$40. Total, \$178.13.  To Provo Home.—Canton, \$40.  To Ritter Home.—Cambridge: "Queen Esther" Circle, \$40; Cleveland: Euclid Avenue, \$40; East Liverpool, \$20; Wellsville, \$40.
Total, \$140.  To Stickney Home.—Akron: First Church, "Queen Esther" Circle, \$40; Salem: First Church, \$40.  Total to Beneficiary Fund, \$700.01.
To Special Fund.—To Albuquerque.—Cleveland: Epworth, miteboxes, \$1.27; Willson Avenue, \$4; Uhrichsville, for building, \$27, Total. \$32.27.
To Asheville.—Conneaut, \$1.  To King Home.—Atwater, \$3; Cleveland: First Church, for sewing-machine, \$45; Dexter City, \$9; Randolph, for repairs, \$7.  To Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Cambridge: "Lucy Webb Hayes" Band, \$7.70; Memorial Fund, Mesopotamia, \$1.  To Mothers' Jawels Home.—Akron: First Church, \$3.80; Cambridge, \$5.05; "Queen Esthers," 50 cents; Cleveland: Euclid Avenue, \$20; First Church, \$1.60; Wade Park, \$3.30; Warren, \$2.50; Wellsville, \$5.  Total, \$41.75.
To Ponca, for horse.—Cambridge, "Queen Esthers," \$6.10.
Total, \$6.10.  To Watts de Peyster Home.—Cleveland: First Church, \$110.  Total, \$6.10.
Total, \$110.  Total, \$110.  Total, \$110.  Total, \$110.  Total, \$150.  Broadway, \$60; Epworth Memorial, \$309.10; First Church, \$554.14; Wade Park, \$26.02; Woodland Avenue, \$23; Coshocton, \$11; Raudolph, \$6.77; Rootstown, \$5.51; Stillwater: Epworth League, \$2; West Mecca, \$4; Mrs. F. A. Arter, \$15.  Total to Special Fund.

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MRS. CORA PROVINE, Treasurer, Bristol, Tennessee.

To General Fund.—Bristol. District.—Bristol: Lee Street, \$10; Bull's Gap, \$1; Greenville, \$4.70. Total, \$15.70. CHATTANOGA DISTRICT.—Chattanooga: Allen Chapel, \$10.20; Tannery Chapel, \$3.30; Wiley Memorial, \$5; Cleveland, \$1; Mabry Street, \$1; Morristown, Circle, \$4.25; Radford, \$5. Total, \$27.75. KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.—Boyd Chapel, \$5; Band, \$1; Bethel, \$12; Band, \$4; White Plain, \$1.50. Total, \$23.50.

Erie Conference.

MRS. F. H. BECK, Treasurer, Brookville, Pennsylvania.

To General Fund.—CLARION DISTRICT.—Brockwayville, \$6.25; Brookville, \$28.50; Circle, \$7.20; Clarion, \$18; East Brady, \$16.50; Punxsutawney, \$1; Reynoldsville, \$10.25.

ERIE DISTRICT.—Brocton, \$10; Chautauqua, \$14.75; East Springfield, \$8.75; Erie: First Church, \$54.50; Forestville, \$11; Honorary Patron. 50

cents; Fredonia, \$21.50; mite-boxes, \$8.93; Girard, \$4; Maysville, \$9.50; North East, \$28; Pageville, \$8; Portland, \$13.25; Silver Creek, \$34.50; Wesleyville, \$1; Westfield, \$8. Total, \$236.18.

Franklin District.—Chicora, \$7; Franklin, \$42.60; Oil City: Grace, \$33; Trinity, \$13; Petrolia, \$22.75; Tidioute, \$22.50; Tionesta, \$23.50; Ti

tusville, \$27.25; Circle, \$7.75.

Total, \$199.35. JAMESTOWN DISTRICT.—Corry, \$22; East Randolph, \$14.75; Jamestown, \$74; life member, \$10; mite-boxes, \$10; Circle, \$9; Kane, \$25; Pantown, \$74; the memor, \$10; mite-boxes, \$13; Circle, \$1.10; Randolph, \$13.50; Warren, \$58.50; mite-boxes, Total, \$251.93.

MEADVILLE DISTRICT.—Cambridgeboro, \$17.50; Circle, \$10; Center Chapel, \$15.50; Conneautville, 15.66; Cooperstown Charge, \$2; Edinboro, Chapel, \$15.50; Conneautylle, 15.00, Cooperation Church, \$26.75; Mill \$1; Espyville, \$6; Greenville, \$42; Meadville: First Church, \$26.75; Mill \$20.75; Circle \$6; Spartausburg, \$6.75; Union City, \$24.20; Wood-Village, \$2; Circle, \$6; Spartansburg, \$6.75; Union City, \$24.20; Total, \$187.36.

NEW CASTLE DISTRICT.—Balm, \$5.75; Clearview, \$2; Mt. Pleasant, \$4.25; Fredonia, \$1; Grove City, \$24.75; Hillsville, \$17.25; Nazareth, \$4.50; New Castle: First Church, \$21.22; Second Church, \$1. Total, \$81.72.

Advertisements in *Woman's Home Missions*, Warren, \$13.50.

Total, \$13.50.

To Special General Fund.—Forestville, \$2; Girard, \$2; North East, \$10; Oil City, 50 cents; Warren, \$19.73; for Bohemian Mission, \$3.75. Total, \$37.98.

To Beneficiary Fund.—To Jesse Lee Home, Unataska.—Brocton, \$4; Chautauqua, \$9; Corry, \$2; East Springfield, \$1.47; Erie: First Church, \$7; Franklin, \$4; Forestville, \$1; Kane, \$2; North East, \$4; Oil City: Trinity, \$5; Panama, \$1; Petrolia, \$9; Silver Creek, \$4; Tidioute, \$4,50; Tionesta, \$8.50; Warren, \$50.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—For Maude Truelove—Oil City: Trinity, \$50.

Total, \$50.

#5: Circle, \$3.40; Clarion, \$12; East Brady, \$6; Punxsutawney, \$1.30.
Total, \$32.70. To Ritter Home.—For Bessie Stewart—Brockwayville, \$5; Brookville,

To Simpson Home.—For Charlotte Eberly—Oil City: Grace Memorial,

\$40; South Oil City, \$40.

To Stickney Home.—For Erie McCabe—Brockwayville, \$2; East Springfield, 50 cents; Oil City: Crace, \$14.50; Trinity, \$10; Sheridan Charge, \$1; Titusville, Circle, \$10; Union Band, \$3; Corresponding Secretary, \$9; for Lawrence Cummings, Balm, \$2; Erie: Simpson, \$1; Grove City, \$5; Hillsville, \$3; Mt. Pleasant, \$3; Volunteer League, \$2; New Castle: First Church, \$13.50; Circle, \$12.

To Special Fund.—To Asheville Building Fund.—Brocton, \$6; Cambridgeboro, \$7; Conneautville, \$7; Chautauqua, \$3; Corry, \$8; East Springfield, \$4.77; Erie: First Church, \$11; Forestville, \$1; Franklin, \$8; Fredonia, \$15; Greenville, \$15; Kane, \$8; Maysville, \$1.75; Meadville: First Church, \$20; North East, \$6; Oil City: Trinity, 10; Panama, \$3; Petrolia, \$4; Silver Creek, \$6; Tidioute, \$3.50; Tionesta, \$2; Titusville, \$12; Union City, \$12; Warren, \$15; sundry charges, \$17.

Total, \$206.02.

To Marcy Home.—Corry, \$5.

Total, \$5

To Mothers' Jewels Home. - Brookville, \$1.50; Chautauqua, 10 cents; Clarion, \$1; Franklin, \$1.35; Jamestown, \$2.50; Meadville: First Church, \$1.57; Petrolia, \$1.10; Silver Creek, \$1.50.

Total, \$1062.

To Stickney Home.—Erie: To Deaconess Home, Pitts	Simps	son, \$1. -Oil City: T	rinity, \$10.	Total, \$1. Total, \$10.
Total to Special Fund Grand total,	i, 		\$232 1,699	2.64, 3.03.
Local Work,			\$28	3.40.

#### Florida Conference.

MRS. W. J. SALMOND, Treasurer, Jacksonville, Florida.

To General Fund.—GAINESVILLE DISTRICT.—Gainesville, \$1.90; Hague, \$3; Jonesville, \$2.39; Waldo, \$4. Total, \$11.29. JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.—Boylan Home, \$2.52; Fernandina, \$3, Jacksonville: Ebenezer Church, \$4; Simpson Church, \$6.25; St. Augustine, \$9; Waldo, \$3; Boylan Home Circle. 69 cents; Wrightsville, \$6.

Total, \$34.46. Total, \$22. Conference gatherings, \$22. 

#### Genesee Conference.

MRS. C. E. MILLSPAUGH, Treasurer, Albion, New York.

To General Fund.—BUFFALO DISTRICT.—Bullato. Asolary, #35.35.
Delaware Avenue, \$55; Young Ladies' Band, \$23; Glenwood, \$10.90; mitebox, 60 cents; Kenmore, \$15.50; Linwood, \$32; Circle, \$2.06; Plymouth, \$37; Richmond Avenue, \$61.95; Riverside, \$34.25; Sentinel, \$11; miteboxes, \$4; Seneca Street, \$5.55; St. Mark's, \$11; miteboxes, \$4; "Queen Esther's," \$12; Summer Avenue, \$2; North Tonawanda, \$21.50; miteboxes, \$1.08.

Total, \$382.89. To General Fund.—BUFFALO DISTRICT.—Buffalo: Asbury, \$38.50;

CORNING DISTRICT.—Addison, \$10.75; Bath, \$17.07; Canisteo, \$18.75; mite-boxes, \$8.59; Corning, \$68.50; mite-boxes, \$5; Hornellsville, \$48; Woodhull, \$6. Total, \$182.66.

GENESEE DISTRICT.—Batavia, \$65; Dansville, \$12.90; Geneseo, \$20.50; Leroy, \$30; Perry, \$25.62; Scottsville, \$2.50; Silver Springs, \$30; Warsaw, \$13.10.

NIAGARA DISTRICT.—Albion, \$22; life-members, \$10; Brockpor, \$13; Holly, \$12.50; Lockport, \$11.50; Lyndonville, \$4.50; Middleport, Band, 72 cents; Circle, \$2.79; Lucy Webb Hayes Auxiliary, \$1.50; Spencerport, \$8. Total, \$86.51.

OLEAN DISTRICT.—Bradford, \$14.25; Olean: First Church, \$6.75; miteboxes, \$3; Pleasant Valley, \$14; Band, \$2.25; mite-box, \$3.55; Portville, \$7.70; Circle, \$3.30.

Total, \$54.80.

ROCHESTER DISTRICT.—Honeoye Falls, \$28.50; Lima, \$27; Band, 40 cents; Livonia, \$12; Rochester: Asbury, \$57; Band, 3.25; life-members, \$15; Cornhill, \$55; Epworth, \$37.20; First Church, \$45.25; life-members, \$20; Circle, 50 cents; Frank Street, \$43; Band, \$4.50; Glenwood, \$33; miteboxes, \$4.50; Monroe Avenue, \$32.50; North Avenue, \$10.50; Walworth, Total, \$445.10. Total, \$9.

Conference gatherings, \$9. 

To Special General Fund.—Albion, \$5; Batavia, \$5; Buffalo: Delaware Avenue, \$5; Kenmore, Circle, \$5; Linwood, \$1; Richmond Avenue, \$1.10; Sentinel, \$3.15; St. Mark's, \$5; Corning, \$5; Honeoye Falls, \$5; Lima, \$5; Lockport, \$2.50; Olean: Pleasant Valley, \$5; special gift, \$5;

Rochester: Asbury, \$5; Cornhill, \$5; First Church, \$15; Frank Street, \$10; Glenwood, \$7.76; Monroe Avenue, \$5; Spencerport, \$2; from mite-boxes: Hornellsville, \$5; Perry, \$5.  Total to Special General Fund, \$117.51.
To Beneficiary Fund.—To Asheville.—Rochester: Glenwood, Band, \$5; Asbury, \$10.  To Browning Home.—Silver Springs, \$40.  To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Bradford, \$5; Buffalo: Delaware Avenue, Young Ladies' Band, \$50; Lima, \$14; Oleau: Pleasant Valley, \$5; Rochester: Asbury, \$10; First Church, \$10; Band, \$5.50.  To King Home.—Bradford, \$5.  To Peck Home.—Rochester: First Church, \$5.  To Ritter Home.—Buffalo: Delaware Avenue, \$40; Rochester: First Church, \$40.  Total, \$80.  To Stickney Home.—Addison, \$10; Bath, \$10; Corning, \$5.16.  Total, \$25.16.  Total to Beneficiary Fund, \$269.66.
To Special Fund.— To Asheville.—Buffalo District Association, \$10; Hornellsville, \$35; Olean: Pleasant Valley, for memorial window, \$6.55.
Total, \$51.55.  To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Olean, \$1.  To Marcy Home.—Canisteo, 50 cents; Rochester: Asbury, Jewels. \$5.  Total, \$51.55.  Total, \$51.55.  Total, \$55.55.
To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Buffalo: Delaware Avenue. 50 cents; Linwood, \$6; Plymouth, \$3.66; Richmond Avenue, \$3.30; North Tonawanda, \$5; Rochester: Asbury, \$5.80; Cornhill, \$1; First Church, to name Ocumpangh room, \$18.20.  To Stickney Home.—Hornellsville, \$10.  To Deaconess Home, Buffalo.—Albion, \$5; Bradford, \$5; Buffalo: Asbury, \$32.50; Delaware Avenue, \$275; Young Ladies' Band, \$35; Grace, \$5; Hampshire Street, \$8.40; Linwood, \$27; "King's Daughters," \$5; Plymouth, \$78.25; Richmond Avenue, \$106.80; Riverside, \$93.04; St. Mark's \$6; Canisteo, \$5; Honeoye Falls, \$2.50; North Tonawanda, \$2; Olean: First Church, \$24.25; Rochester: First Church, \$10; Frank Street, \$5; Glenwood, \$5; Monroe Avenue, \$10.  Total to Special Fund, \$857.25.  Grand total, \$2,605.00.  Local Work, \$389.42.
Holston Conference.
MRS. J. P. HEAP, Treasurer, Knoxville, Tenn.
To General Fund.—Athens DISTRICT.—Athens, \$9. Total, \$9. CHATTANOGGA DISTRICT.—Knoxville: First Church, \$33.10; Second Church, \$4.09. Total, \$37.19. Conference Gatherings, \$8. Total to General Fund, \$54.19.
Total to General Fund,

## Idaho Conference.

MRS. M. C. THOMPSON, Treasurer, Pocatello, Idaho.

To General Fund.—Conference District.—Baker City, \$1.25; Black Foot, \$1; Boise City, \$3; Circle, \$3.75; donation, \$3.17; Elgin, \$4.45; Haines \$2: La Grande, \$2; Conference collections, \$13.70; Union, Oregon Conference, \$4.25.

## Illinois Conference.

MRS. SARAH E. KING, Treasurer, 719 N. Main Street, Decatur, Ill.

To General Fund.—BLOOMINGTON DISTRICT.—Bloomington: First Church, \$44.50; life member, \$20; honorary manager, \$1; honorary patrons, \$4; mite-boxes, \$3.63; Grace, \$42; Self-denial, \$6; Farmer City, \$10.75; Leroy, \$20; Band, 64 cents; Lincoln, \$22.25.

CHAMPAIGN DISTRICT.—Champaign, \$25.70; Deland, \$4.50; Paxton, \$2.25; Rantoul, \$5.50; Savoy, \$13.75; Saybrook, \$28.50; Tolma, \$2.50; Tuscola, \$8.90; Urbana, \$28; Champaign and Urbana auxiliaries, life member, Total, \$139.60. To General Fund. BLOOMINGTON DISTRICT. Bloomington: First

DANVILLE DISTRICT.—Danville, \$18; Rossville, \$12; Sidney, \$5.25. Total, \$35.25

DECATUR DISTRICT.—Decatur: First Church, \$28.34; Grace, \$25. Total, \$53.34.

JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.—Greenfield, \$20.10; Jacksonville: Centenary, Total, \$85.30. \$27.50; mite-boxes, \$5.70; Grace, \$32.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.—Carlinville, \$27; Young Ladies, \$6; Springfield: First Church, \$58.25.

To Special General Fund.—Bloomington: First Church, \$10; Decatur: First Church, \$10; Grace, \$10; Jacksonville: Grace, \$4.77; on debt: Bloomington: Grace, \$6; Greenfield, \$1; Jacksonville: Grace, \$6.20; Leroy.

Total, \$57.97.

To Beneficiary Fund. - To Albuquerque. - Decatur: First Church, \$5. Total, \$5. To Lucy Webb Hayes Training School.—Bloomington: First Church.

Total, \$10. \$10. To Marcy Home. - Decatur: First Church, \$5. Total, \$5.

To Special Fund. - To Albuquerque. - Bloomington: Grace, \$5; Jacksonville: Centenary, \$5; Saybrook, \$10; Springfield: First Church, \$11.

Total, \$31. To Asher ille.—Greenfield, life member, \$20. Total, \$20. To Chinese Work, San Francisco.—Bloomington: First Church, \$10: Grace, \$5; Jacksonville: Centenary, \$5; Saybrook, \$10; Springfield: First Church, \$11. Total, \$41.

To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Paris: North Avenue, \$5. Total, \$5. To Lucy Webb Hayes Training School.—Bloomington: First Church, \$12.15; Jacksonville: Grace, \$25.87; Paris: North Avenue, \$10.39.

Total, \$48.41.

To Marcy Home.—Bloomington: First Church, \$20; Jacksonville: Centenary, \$10; Savoy, \$1.06; Saybrook, \$10; Springfield: First Church, \$11. Total, \$52.06.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Bloomington: First Church, \$5.35; Grace,

30 cents; Decatur: First Church, \$5; Jacksonville: Grace, \$5.58.

Total, \$16.23. To Watts de Peyster Home.—Springfield: First Church, mite-boxes,

\$14.95. To Deaconess Home, Urbana.—Bloomington: First Church, \$25; Grace, \$25; Carlinville, \$5; Champaign, \$117.91; Decatur: First Church, \$50.99; Grace, \$35; Farmer City, \$20; Jacksonville: Centenary, \$43.28; Grace, \$19.35; Leroy, \$4.85; Lincoln, \$73; Paxton, \$2.02; Savoy, \$26; Saybrook, \$52.80; Springfield: First Church, \$36; Urbana, \$148.73.

Total, \$684.93.

To Immigrant's Home, New York.—Bloomington: First Church, \$15; Grace, \$15; Decatur: First Church, \$5; Grace, \$10; Jacksonville: Centenary, \$5; Grace, \$1.25; Savoy, 90 cents; Saybrook, \$10.

Total, \$62.15. \$975.73. 

#### Indiana Conference.

MRS. C. S. CHAFEE, Treasurer, 379 Home Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana.

To General Fund.—Connersville District. — Brookville, \$15.50; mite-boxes, \$2; College Corner, \$18.25; mite-boxes, \$4.55; Connersville, \$87.25; for children's paper, \$1; Richland, \$1; Robinson Chapel, \$9.75.

Total, \$139.30. EAST INDIANAPOLIS DISTRICT.—Franklin, \$20.50; Indianapolis: Cen-EAST INDIANAPOLIS DISTRICT.—Frankfin, \$20.50; Indianapolis: Central Avenue, \$66.60; mite-boxes, \$10.75; Edwin Ray, \$19.70; mite-boxes, \$6.83; for children's paper, \$1; Hall Place, \$73.50; for children's paper, \$1; mite-boxes, \$4.40; Roberts Park, \$59.25; for children's paper, \$1; mite-boxes, \$4.65; Woodside, \$5; Shelbyville, \$43.50; Band, \$9.20; "Qneen Esther's" Circle, \$5.78; West Street, \$4.75.

JEFFERSONVILLE DISTRICT.—Jeffersonville, \$9.50; Seymour, \$11.50;

Total, \$33. other sources, \$12.

Moores Hill District.—Aurora, \$17.75; Greensburg: First Church, \$30.75; mite-boxes, \$4.36; for children's paper, \$1; Lawrenceburg, \$31.45; Madison, \$7; Rising Sun, \$18.25; for children's paper, \$1; Veyay, \$3.75. Total, \$115.31.

WEST INDIANAPOLIS DISTRICT.—Indianapolis: Blackford Street, \$4.25; California Street, \$18.50; Mooresville, \$31.75; through Mrs. Newman, \$8.

Total, \$62.50. Thank-offerings .- Central Avenue, \$13; Edwin Ray, \$2; Rising Sun, \$4.90; Seymour, \$3.15. Total, \$23.05.

To Special General Fund.—Brookville, thank-offering, \$5; Special gifts: Greensburg: First Church, \$2; Indianapolis: Central Avenue, \$5.60; Shelbyville, \$5.50; Total, \$18.10.

Total to Special General Fund, . . . . . . . . . \$18.10.

To Beneficiary Fund.—To Asheville.—For Etta Holderness: Connersville, \$2; Greensburg: First Church, \$15.50; Mrs. Adams, \$4.50. Total, \$22.

To Bennett Home.—Indianapolis: Roberts Park, for Retta Hodges, \$20; for presiding elder's daughter, \$10. Total, \$30. To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Connersville, \$3; Franklin, \$5; Greensburg: First Church, \$2; Indianapolis: Edwin Ray, \$2; Hall Place, \$5; Roberts Park, \$5; Robinson's Chapel, \$1.50; Rising Sun, \$1. Total, \$24.50. To Ritter Home.—Indianapolis: Hall Place, \$40; mite-boxes, \$15; Roberts Park for Lurie Smith, \$40; Total, \$95.
Total to Beneficiary Fund, \$171.50.
Special Fund.—To Albuquerque.—Greensburg: First Church, \$15.  Total, \$15.  To Asheville.—Deputy camp-meeting, to name room, \$61; Conners-
ville, \$25; to furnish E. W. McIntosh room, \$30; Shelbyville, \$50.
Total, \$166.  To Mothers' Jewels Home.—To name room: Shelbyville Mission Band, \$38.34.  Total, \$38.34.
To Immigrants' Home, New York.—Brookville, thank-offering, \$2.50.  Total, \$2.50.
Total to Special Fund,
Local Work,

#### Iowa Conference.

MRS. W. F. COWLES, Treasurer, 707 Summer Street, Burlington, Iowa.

To General Fund. - BURLINGTON DISTRICT. - Burlington: First Church, \$32.50; Grace, \$13.25; Fort Madison, \$1; Mt. Pleasant, \$30.50; Morning Sun, \$2.75; Nichols, \$1; Sperry, \$1; West Point, \$1. Total, \$83. KEOKUK DISTRICT.—Bentonsport, \$3; Milton, \$2; Moulton, \$1; Sa-Total, \$8. lina, \$2. MUSCATINE DISTRICT.—Kalona, \$1; Mrs. Fansehoick, \$1; Ladora, \$4.86; Marengo, \$27.34; donation, \$1.70; Muscatine: First Church, \$28.50; Nicols, \$2; North English, \$6; Oxford, \$4; Victor, \$1; Washington, \$68.50; Band, \$1.40; donation, \$1; Webster, \$2; West Liberty, \$3; Williamsburg, \$8.61; Wilton Junction, \$18.95; donation, \$2.

OSKALOOSA DISTRICT.—Brooklyn, \$8; Deep River, \$2; Grinnell, \$12.75; Lacy, \$2; Montezuma, \$8.25; thank-offering, \$1.61; donation, 50 cents; Thornburg, \$9.35; What Cheer, \$1.

OTTUMWA DISTRICT.—Albia \$16.25; Attica \$1; Brighton, \$7.60; Cedar.

OTTUMWA DISTRICT.—Albia, \$16.25; Attica, \$1; Brighton, \$7.69; Cedar, \$4; Fremont, \$9; Hedrick, \$7; Knoxville, \$15; Lovilla, \$7.75; Ottumwa: First Church, \$29.

Total, \$96.69.

Collections by Mrs. D. Murphy: Nichols, \$2; West Liberty, \$2; Wilton Total, \$8. Junction, \$4.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$424.01.

To Beneficiary Fund.—To A. M. Smith Home.—Washington, for Lucy Cobb, \$41.75.

To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Brooklyn, \$5; Grinnell, Epworth League, \$1.50; Kellogg, \$1; Keokuk: Chatham Square, Junior Epworth League, \$2.50; Ladora, \$1.88; Marengo, \$2; Montezuma, \$5; mite-boxes, \$3.87; donation, 50 cents; Mt. Pleasant, \$13; Nichols, Epworth League, \$1; Ottumwa: First Church, \$1.37; Riverside, \$2.40; Washington, \$7; Wayland, \$2; Wellman, \$2.36; Junior Epworth League, \$2; West Liberty,

King's Daughters, \$15; Epworth League, \$2; Junior Epworth League, \$1; donation from Stein Shin, Chicago, \$2; Williamsburg, 90 cents; to complete pledge, Mrs. Scoles, \$25.  To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Fremont, \$1.40; Marengo, \$5; Montezuma, \$6; Muscatine: First Church, \$20; Ottumwa: First Church, \$3; Washington, Junior Epworth League, \$3.35; Wellman, 80 cents; West Liberty, \$1.  To Stickney Home.—For Marie Thomas—Burlington: First Church, \$17.66; mite-jugs, \$7.34; Grace, \$11.15; Mt. Pleasant, \$20.  Total, \$56.15.
Total to Beneficiary Fund, \$238.73.
To Special Fund.—To Marcy Home.—Burlington: First Church, \$5.
Total, \$5.  To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Albion, \$5; Fremont, \$1.60; West Liberty, 20 cents.  Total, \$6.80.  To Immigrants' Home, New York.—Burlington: First Church, \$5.  Total, \$5.
Total to Special Fund,
Kansas Conference.
Mrs. Robert H. Hawthorn, Treasurer, 929 Kansas Avenue, Atchison, Kansas.
To General Fund.—Atchison District.—Atchison: First Church, \$28; mite-boxes, \$1.11; thank-offering, \$3.69; Mrs. W. J. Wenner, \$1; Mrs. George Armel, \$1; Mrs. P. W. Budd, \$1. Total, \$35.80. Kansas City District.—Argentine, \$10; Kansas City: Washington Avenue, \$25.50. Total, \$35.50. Manhattan District.—Buck's Grove, \$22.75; Centralia, \$18.25; Havensville, \$7.50; Manhattan, \$16.75. Total, \$65.25. Topeka District.—Burlingame, \$4.25; Topeka: First Church, \$21.50; towards making Mrs. Mary Betzer life member, \$5. Total, \$30.75. Conference gatherings, \$13.
Total to General Fund,
To Special General Fund.—Special gifts: Argentine, \$1.50; Buck's Grove, \$5; Topeka, \$1.30. Total, \$7.80.
Total to Special General Fund, \$7.80.
To Beneficiary Fund.—To Albuquerque.—Manhattan, \$15.
Total to Beneficiary Fund, \$15.
To Special Fund.—To Albuquerque.—Buck's Grove, \$10; Manhattan, \$21.09.
Total to Special Fund,
Kentucky Conference.
To General Fund.—Lexington District.—Lexington: Centenary, \$24.38; Young Ladies, \$2.50; mite-boxes, \$1.80; donation, 75 cents; other sources, \$4.06.  Total, \$33.49.

LOUISVILLE DISTRICT.—Hardinsburg: Taylor's Chapel. \$52.50; Louisswille: Trinity, \$32.
Total to General Fund,
Of the above amount, \$21.27 was expended in Conference.
To Special General Fund.—Lexington, \$10.13. Total, \$10.13.
Total to Special General Fund,
To Beneficiary Fund.—To Haven Home.—Louisville: Trinity, \$56. Total, \$56.
To Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Hardinsburg, \$25. Total, \$25.
Total to Beneficiary Fund,
Local Work,
Little Rock Conference.
BETTY JOHNSON, Treasurer, Cotton Plant, Arkansas.
To General Fund.—Forest City District.—Cotton Plant, \$3; Taylor's Chapel, \$1.50.  Without special credits, \$1.50.  Total, \$1.50.
Total to General Fund,
Louisiana Conference.
MRS. D. C. MEAD, Treasurer, 337 Adams Street, Carrollton, Louisiana.
To General Fund.—Mount Sinai, \$1; St. James, \$1; St. Peters, \$2. Simpson, \$7; St. Paul, \$4; Washington Chapel, \$1; Wesley Chapel, \$10; Winan's Chapel, \$1; without special credits, \$12; Baton Rouge: St. Marks; \$1; Conference gleanings, \$42.
Total to General Fund,
Local Work,

## Maine Conference.

MRS. I. LUCE, Treasurer, 13 Carroll Street, Portland, Maine.

To General Fund.—Augusta District.—Augusta, \$11; East Livermore and North Fayette, \$4; Fairfield and Fairfield Center, \$5; Farmington, \$10; Gardiner, \$22; Hollowell, \$12; Kent's Hill, \$16; Livermore and Hatfield, \$2; North Augusta, \$1; Phillips, \$1; Richmond, \$2; Readfield, \$13; Skowhegan, \$8.50; Waterville, \$2; Wilton and North Jay, \$18; Winthrop, \$5; through Mrs. R. L. Allen, \$5.

Lewiston District.—Andover, \$1; Bath: Beacon Street, \$7; Wesley Church, \$13.90; Baldwin and Hiram, \$1; Brunswick, \$1; mite-box, \$1; East North Yarmouth, \$3; Fryeburg and Stowe, \$2; Harpwell and Orris Island, \$1; Lewiston: Park Street, \$23.55; Lisbon and Lisbon Falls, \$1; Long Island, \$2; Mechanic Falls, \$2; Naples, 1; Norway, \$1; Rumford Falls, \$2; South Paris, \$1; West Durham and Powell, \$2.

Total, \$66.45.

PORTLAND DISTRICT.—Berwick, \$5; Cornish, \$2; Elliott, \$2; Gorham, \$10; North Street, \$1; Hollis Center, \$1; Knightsville, \$1; Ogunquit and Maryland Ridge, \$2; Old Orchard, \$9.25; Portland: Chestnut Street, \$50; Congress Street, \$27; Pine Street, \$20; Saco, \$35; to make Mrs. F. C. Allen

and Mrs. Robert West life members, \$40; South Elliott and Kittery, \$2 South Portland, \$9.75; to make Mrs. Studley life member, \$20; Woodfords, \$21; for debt, \$1.50; Mrs. M. K. Mayberry, \$1. Total, \$260.50.	
Total to General Fund, \$464.45.	
To Special General Fund.—For Miss Lizzie Swager: Saco, to make Mrs. Nancie J. Adams life member, \$20.  Total to Special General Fund, \$20.	
To Beneficiary Fund.—To Asheville.—For Etta Holderness: Brunswick, \$1; Gardiner, \$2.50; Kent's Hill, \$1; Lewiston, \$1; Portland: Pine Street, \$2; Congress Street, \$1; South Portland, \$5.  To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Farmington, \$3; Hollowell, \$5; Lewiston, \$5; Madison, \$5; Portland: Congress Street, \$5; Pine Street, \$5.  Total, \$28.	
To Thayer Home.—Portland: Congress Street, for Willie Dickerson, \$5.  Total to Beneficiary Fund, \$46.50.	
To Special Fund.—To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Cape Porpoise. Mrs. Annie Pinkham, \$3; Gardiner, \$1.50; Kent's Hill, \$1.40; Portland: Chestnut Street, \$10; Old Orchard, \$1.50; Skowhegan, \$1.50; South Portland, \$2; Woodfords, \$1.50.  To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Bath, \$1.  Total, \$1.	
Total to Special Fund,	
Local Work,	
Michigan Conference.	
Mrs. J. G. Plowman, Treasurer, White Pigeon, Michigan.	
To General Fund.—Albion District.—Albion, \$85; Battle Creek \$33.75; Bellevue, \$27.70; Homer, \$30.85; Jackson, \$43; Kalamo, \$11. Total, \$231.30	
To General Fund.—Albion District.—Albion, \$85; Battle Creek \$33.75; Bellevue, \$27.70; Homer, \$30.85; Jackson, \$43; Kalamo, \$11.	

To Frontier Work.—Beloit, \$3; Grand Rapids: Division Street, sent Total, \$13. to Woodville, \$5; Plainwell, to Copemish, \$5.

From Mite-boxes.—Albion, \$8.75; Bellevue, \$1.43; Homer, \$1.63; Jackson, \$2.65; Grand Rapids: Ames Church, 78 cents; East Street, \$7.60; Joy Memorial, \$1; Second Street, \$6.80; Vicksburg, \$1.25; West Casco, \$4.58; Mason, \$1.41; Coulter's Chapel, \$1.62; Hastings, \$9.08; Fair Plains, \$2.40; Allegan, \$2; Kalamazoo: First Church, \$15.07; Otsego, \$2.80; Plainwell, Total, \$76.35. \$4; Three Rivers, \$1.50.

Conference collection, \$12.25; Bay View collection, \$12; "Light Bearers," \$3; expended in Conference, \$38.24; in districts, \$137.50; paid to presiding elders, \$130; miscellaneous, \$21.75.

Total, \$354.74.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . \$1,491.73.

To Special General Fund.—Benton Harbor, \$12.50; Coulter's Chapel, \$6; Pair Plains, \$4; Gilead, \$1; Girard, \$2; Grand Rapids: Joy Memorial, for debt, \$5; Second Street, \$4; Greenville, \$4; Jackson, \$5; Jonesville, \$1; Plainfield Avenue, \$2; Portland, \$4; Prairieville, \$5; Quincy, \$5; Ransom, \$1; Union City, \$3; White Pigeon, \$5.

Total to Special General Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . \$69.50.

To Beneficiary Fund.—To E. L. Rust Home.—Charlotte, \$10; Lausing: Central, \$10; Mason, \$6; Ovid, \$6; St. John's, \$3.50. Total, \$35.50.

To Peck Home.—Benton Harbor, \$2; Kalamazoo: First Church, \$30.01;

Three Rivers, \$10.

Total, \$42.01.

To Ritter Home.—Albion, \$25; Bellevue, \$7; Cold Water, \$7; Grand Rapids: Division Street, Guild, \$5: Plainfield Avenue, \$3; White Hall, \$3; without special credits, \$3.75; for Lela Clanz: Albion District, \$5; Grand Rapids: Division Street, \$7; East Street, \$5; Hastings, \$10; Hillsdale, \$1; Homer, \$10; Jackson, \$10; Kalamo, \$2.

Total, \$103.75.

To Stickney Home.—Allegan, \$4; Benton Harbor, \$1.80; Grand Rapids: Joy Memorial, \$5; Plainfield Avenue, \$1; Second Street, \$3; Greenville, \$4; Kalamazoo: Simpson, \$6; Milo, \$4; Otsego, \$7.70; Plainwell, \$9; Trowbridge, \$9; Vicksburg, \$2.35; West Casco, \$5.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . \$243.11.

To Special Fund.—To Haven Home.—Greenville, \$5.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Charlotte, \$1.45; Coulter's Chapel, 70 cents; DeWitt, \$4.80; Grand Rapids: Second Street, \$2; Hastings, \$8; Lansing, \$4; North Lansing, \$2.16; Otsego, 20 cents. Total, \$23.31.

To Stickney Home.—Greenville, for horse and wagon, \$1.25.

Total, \$1.25. To Deaconess Home, Grand Rapids.—Albion, \$27.25; Allegan, \$4; Bellevue, \$10; Benton Harbor, \$19.28; Cold Water, \$5; Coulter's Chapel, \$5.30; Grand Rapids: Ames Church, \$3; Division Street, \$431.34; Guild, \$6.75; mite-box, \$3.23; East Street, \$17.39; Joy Memorial, \$3.50; Plainfield Avenue, \$6.71; Second Street, \$5.60; Hastings, \$179.89; Homer, \$7.50; Ionia, \$10; Kalamazoo: First Church, \$23.76; Simpson, \$10; Lausing: Central, \$7.08; First Church, \$3; Mason, \$6; Otsego, \$4.4c; Plainwell, \$7; St. John's, \$4.50; Three Rivers, \$12.13; Troubridge, \$5.48; Union City, \$2; Vicksburg, \$5.70; White Pigeon, \$7.02

Vicksburg, \$5.70; White Pigeon, \$7.02.

Total, \$853.81.

To Frontier Work.—From mite-boxes: Benton Harbor, \$9; Carson City, \$1.95; Cold Water, \$2.60; Coulter's Chapel, \$2.66; Grand Rapids: Joy Memorial, 15 cents; Second Street, \$3; Lansing, 86 cents; Otsego, Total \$24.08. \$1.40; Portland, \$1.10; Trowbridge, \$1.36.

### Minnesota and Minnesota Northern Conferences.

MRS. D. W. LONGFELLOW, Treasurer, 3112 First Avenue, South Minneapolis, Minnesota.

To General Fund.—Amboy District.—Amboy, \$6.64. Total, \$6.64. MANKATO DISTRICT.—Owatonna: Main Street, \$4.50. Total, \$4.50. MINNEAPOLIS DISTRICT.—Minneapolis: First Church, \$16.50; mitebox, \$2.88; Franklin Avenue, \$23; Hennepin Avenue, \$40; mite-boxes, \$9.40; Lake Street, \$12.60; Simpson, \$32.75; mite-boxes, \$9.88; Trinity, \$17; Wesley, \$30.75; Western Avenue, \$10.60; Young Ladies' Circle, \$2.25; mite-boxes, \$10.07.

Total, \$217.68.

St. Paul, District.—St. Paul: Hamline, \$17.85; paid to frontier work, \$8. Total, \$25.85.

Minnesota Northern Conference collection, \$5; Norwegian and Danish, \$6.50. Total, \$11.50.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$266.17.

To Special General Fund.—Minneapolis: Hennepin Avenue, \$13; Simpson, mite-boxes, \$7.50; St. Paul: Hamline, \$5. Total, \$25.50.

Total to Special General Fund, . . . . . . . . . \$25.50.

To Beneficiary Fund. - To Dulce. - Hennepin Avenue, for Juan A. Francisco, \$40. Total, \$40.

To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Franklin Avenue, \$28.92; thank-offering, \$11.46; mite boxes, \$9.62; a friend, \$17.88; Hennepin Avenue, \$40; Simpson, \$12.29; mite-boxes, \$15.33; Wesley, \$25.

To New Jersey Home.—Hennepin Avenue, \$25. Total, \$160.50. Total, \$25.

To Ritter Home.—Hennepin Avenue, \$40; St. Paul: Hamline, \$16,65. Total, \$56.65.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . \$282.15.

To Special Fund.—To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Minneapolis: First Church, \$1.30; Simpson, \$2.80. Total, \$4.10. To Ponca, for horse.—Hennepin Avenue, \$1; St. Paul: Hamline, \$1.

Total, \$2. To Ritter Home.—Forest Heights, \$4.51; Red Hook: Camp-meet-Total, \$8.61.

ing, \$4.10. 

### Missouri Conference.

MRS. PRICE A. CROW, Treasurer, Marceline, Missouri.

To General Fund.—HANNIBAL DISTRICT.—Avaion, \$4,25, Green, \$2; Brookfield, \$6.90; Carrollton, \$2; Laddonia, \$1.50; Louisiana, \$2.75; Macon, \$1; Mexico, Circle, \$4.05; Vandalia, \$3.25. Total, \$27.70. KIRKSVILLE DISTRICT.—Kirksville, \$15.50; Memphis, \$19.75; Queen Total, \$36.25.

City, \$1.

MARYVILLE DISTRICT.—Breckinridge, \$2; Hopkins, \$1; Maitland, \$1;

Total \$12.

Maryville, \$2; Trenton, \$5. Total, \$12. ST. JOSEPH DISTRICT.—Huffman's Memorial, \$1.15; Martinsville, \$5; Total, \$18.15. St. Joseph, \$12. Conference Gleanings, \$13. Total, \$13.

To Special Fund.—To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Kirksville, 50 cents; Louisiana, \$1.60.  To Oriental Bureau.—Vandalia, \$1.15.  Total, \$2.10.  To Oriental Bureau.—Vandalia, \$1.15.  Total to Special Fund, \$3.25. Grand total, 110.35.  Local Work, \$204.88. Conference Contingent Fund, 6.78.  Nebraska Conference.  MRS. F. M. ESTERBROOK, Treasurer, De Witt, Nebraska.  To General Fund.—Beatrice District.—Beatrice: Centenary, \$19.50; De Witt, \$7.50; Fairbury, \$4.25; Pawnee City, \$12; Wymore, \$6.40. Total, \$49.65.  HASTINGS DISTRICT.—Clay Center, \$6; Edgar, \$17.50; Fairfield, \$7; Geneva, \$19; Hastings, \$5. Lincoln District.—Crete, \$9.25; a friend, \$2; Lincoln: Emmanuel, \$4; donation, \$1; Grace, \$50; \$8. Paul, \$43.50; Trinity, \$14; Raymond, \$9.86; University Place, \$11.35; Valparaiso, \$6; Wahoo, \$6.  Nebraska City District.—Auburn, \$3.55; Falls City, \$15.50; Humboldt, \$2.25; Johnson, donation, \$1; Nebraska City, \$14; Palmyra, \$6.50; Peru, \$1.75; Plattsmouth, \$2.18; Pleasant View, \$8.50; Table Rock, \$10.50; Tecumsch, \$17; Weeping Water, \$12. York District.—Bellwood, \$7.10; Band, 74 cents: Brainerd, \$5; David City, \$1.25; Milford, \$5.75; Osceola, \$19.50; Stromsburg, \$8; York, \$11.50; Conference Auxiliary, \$3.  To Special General Fund.—Beatrice: Centenary, \$3.40; Bellwood, \$1.42; De Witt, \$7.25; Plattsmouth, \$1.82; Wahoo, 61 cents. Total, \$90.09. Total to Special General Fund.—Beatrice: Centenary, \$3.40; Bellwood, \$1.42; De Witt, \$7.25; Plattsmouth, \$1.82; Wahoo, 61 cents. Total, \$76.25.  To Beneficiary Fund.—To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Lincoln: St. Paul's, \$20.72; Mrs. Miller, \$50; Nebraska City, \$5.53. Total, \$76.25.  To Beneficiary Fund.—To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Lincoln: St. Paul's, \$20.72; Mrs. Miller, \$50; Nebraska City, \$5.53. Total, \$76.25.  To Beneficiary Fund.—Beatrice: Centenary, \$3.40; Bellwood, \$7.625.  To Wothers' Jewels Home.—Blue Springs, \$1.75; Lincoln: St. Paul's, \$33.20; Mrs. Esterbrook, \$2; Mead, 75 cents; Prom mite-boxes: Beatrice, \$5.10; De Witt, \$2.05; Garrison, \$1; Johnson, \$2.75; Milford, 90 cents; Osceola, \$8		Ball I
Total to Special Fund, \$3.25. Grand total, \$10.35.  Local Work, \$20.88. Conference Contingent Fund, \$20.88. Conference Contingent Fund, 6.78.  **Nebraska Conference**  **Mrs. F. M. Esterbrook, Treasurer, De Witt, Nebraska.**  **To General Fund.**—Beatrice District.**—Beatrice: Centenary, \$19.50; De Witt, \$7.50; Fairbury, \$4.25; Pawnee City, \$12; Wymore, \$6.40.  **Total, \$49.65.  **Hastings District.**—Clay Center, \$6; Edgar, \$17.50; Fairfield, \$7; Total, \$40.65.  **Lincol.** District.**—Crete, \$9.25; a friend, \$2; Lincoln: Emmanuel, \$4; donation, \$1; Grace, \$20; St. Paul, \$43.50; Trinity. \$14; Raymond, \$9.86; University Place, \$11.35; Valparaiso, \$6; Wahoo, \$6. Total, \$12.60.  **Nebraska City District.**—Auburn, \$3.55; Falls City, \$15.50; Humbollt, \$2.25; Johnson, donation, \$1; Nebraska City, \$41; Palmyra, \$6.50; Peru, \$1.75; Plattsmouth, \$3.18; Pleasant View, \$8.50; Table Rock, \$10.50; Peru, \$1.75; Plattsmouth, \$3.18; Pleasant View, \$8.50; Table Rock, \$10.50; Peru, \$1.75; Plattsmouth, \$3.18; Pleasant View, \$8.50; Table Rock, \$10.50; Peru, \$1.75; Plattsmouth, \$3.18; Pleasant View, \$8.50; Table Rock, \$10.50; Peru, \$1.75; Plattsmouth, \$3.70; Band, 74 cents: Brainerd, \$5; David City, \$21.50; Milford, \$3.75; Osceola, \$19.50; Stromsburg, \$8; York, \$11.50; Conference Auxiliary, \$3.  **To Special General Fund, \$416.93.  **To Special General Fund, \$416.93.  **To Special General Fund, \$1.82; Wahoo, 61 cents. Total, \$14.50.  **Total to Special General Fund, \$1.82; Wahoo, 61 cents. Total, \$14.50.  **Total to Beneficiary Fund, \$7.625.  **Total to Beneficiary Fund, \$7.75; Lincoln: St. Paul's, \$2.05; Table, \$1.50; Total, \$1.35.  **Total, \$1.35.  **Total, \$1.35.  **Total, \$1.35.  **Total, \$1.35.  **Total, \$1.35.  **Total, \$1.35	Louisiana, \$1.60. Total, \$2	.10
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Nebraska Conference.  Mrs. F. M. Esterbrook, Treasurer, De Witt, Nebraska.  To General Fund.—Beatrice District.—Beatrice: Centenary, \$19.50; De Witt, \$7.50; Fairbury, \$4.25; Pawnee City, \$12; Wymore, \$6.40.  Total, \$49.65. HASTINGS DISTRICT.—Clay Center, \$6; Edgar, \$17.50; Fairfield, \$7; Geneva, \$19; Hastings, \$5.  Lincoln District.—Crete, \$0.25; a friend, \$2; Lincoln: Emmanuel, \$4; donation, \$1; Grace, \$20; \$4. Paul, \$43.50; Trinity, \$14; Raymond, \$9.86; University Place, \$11.35; Valparaiso, \$6; Wahoo, \$6. Total, \$126.96.  Nebraska City District.—Auburn, \$3.55; Falls City, \$15.50; Humboldt, \$2.25; Johnson, donation, \$1; Nebraska City, \$14; Palmyra, \$6.50; Peru, \$1.75; Plattsmouth, \$3.18; Pleasant View, \$8.50; Table Rock, \$10.50; Tecumseh, \$17; Weeping Water, \$12.  York District.—Bellwood, \$7.10; Band, 74 cents: Brainerd, \$5; David City, \$11.50; Milford, \$3.75; Osceola, \$19.50; Stromsburg, \$3; York, \$11.50; Conference Auxiliary, \$3.  Total to General Fund.  To Special General Fund.—Beatrice: Centenary, \$3.40; Bellwood, \$1.42; De Witt, \$7.25; Plattsmouth, \$1.82; Wahoo, 61 cents.  Total to Special General Fund.  To Beneficiary Fund.—To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Lincoln: St. Paul's, \$20.72; Mrs. Miller, \$50; Nebraska City, \$5.53.  Total, \$76.25.  To Special Fund.—To Marcy Home.—Lincoln: Trinity, \$1.35.  To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Blue Springs, \$1.75; Lincoln: St. Paul's, \$3.20; Mrs. Esterbrook, \$2; Mead, 75 cents; Pleasant View, \$1.50; Table Rock, \$2.60; Virginia, \$5; Waverly, 60 cents; Pleasant View, \$1.50; Table Rock, \$2.60; Virginia, \$5; Waverly, 60 cents; Pleasant View, \$1.50; Table Rock, \$2.60; Virginia, \$5; Waverly, 60 cents; Pleasant View, \$1.50; Table Rock, \$2.60; Virginia, \$5; Waverly, 60 cents; Pleasant View, \$1.50; Table Rock, \$2.60; Virginia, \$5; Waverly, 60 cents; Pleasant View, \$1.50; Table Rock, \$2.60; Virginia, \$5; York, 60 cents; for supplies: Blue Springs, \$7; Crete, \$1.11.5; David City, \$13.50; Lincoln: St. Paul's, \$4.08; Pawnee City, \$16; Weeping Water, \$5; York, "Sunshine Band," \$2.55; Brick Books,		
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To General Fund.—Beatrice District.—Beatrice: Centenary, \$19.50; De Witt. \$7.50; Fairbury, \$4.25; Pawnee City, \$12; Wymore, \$6.40.  Total, \$49.65.  Hastings District.—Clay Center, \$6; Edgar, \$17.50; Fairfield, \$7; Geneva, \$19; Hastings, \$5.  Lincoln District.—Crete, \$9.25; a friend, \$2; Lincoln: Emmanuel, \$1; donation, \$1; Grace, \$20; St. Paul, \$43.50; Trinity, \$14; Raymond, \$9.86; University Place, \$11.35; Valparaiso, \$6; Wahoo, \$6.  Nebraska City District.—Auburn, \$3.55; Falls City, \$15.50; Humboldt, \$2.25; Johnson, donation, \$1; Nebraska City, \$14; Palmyra, \$6.50; Peru, \$1.75; Plattsmouth, \$3.18; Pleasant View, \$8.50; Table Rock, \$10.50; Tecumseh, \$17; Weeping Water, \$12.  York District.—Bellwood, \$17.10; Band, 74 cents; Brainerd, \$5; David City, \$21.50; Milford, \$3.75; Osceola, \$19.50; Stromsburg, \$8; York, \$11.50; Conference Auxiliary, \$3.  Total to General Fund.—Beatrice: Centenary, \$3.40; Bellwood, \$1.42; De Witt, \$7.25; Plattsmouth, \$1.82; Wahoo, 61 cents. Total, \$14.50.  To Special General Fund.—Beatrice: Centenary, \$3.40; Bellwood, \$1.42; De Witt, \$7.25; Plattsmouth, \$1.82; Wahoo, 61 cents. Total, \$1.450.  To Beneficiary Fund.—To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Lincoln: St. Paul's, \$20.72; Mrs. Miller, \$50; Nebraska City, \$5.53.  Total to Beneficiary Fund,	Nebraska Conference.	
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HASTINGS DISTRICT.—Clay Center, \$6; Edgar, \$17.50; Fairfield, \$7; Geneva, \$19; Hastings, \$5.  LINCOLN DISTRICT.—Crete, \$9.25; a friend, \$2; Lincoln: Emmanuel, \$4; donation, \$1; Grace, \$20; St. Paul, \$43.50; Trinity, \$14; Raymond, \$9.86; University Place, \$11.35; Valparaiso, \$6; Wahoo, \$6.  NEBRASKA CITY DISTRICT.—Auburn, \$3.55; Falls City, \$15.50; Humboldt, \$2.25; Johnson, donation, \$1; Nebraska City, \$14; Palmyra, \$6.50; Peru, \$1.75; Plattsmouth, \$3.18; Pleasant View, \$8.50; Table Rock, \$10.50; Peru, \$1.75; Weeping Water, \$12.  York DISTRICT.—Bellwood, \$17.10; Band, 74 cents: Brainerd, \$5; David City, \$21.50; Milford, \$5.75; Osceola, \$19.50; Stromsburg, \$8; York, \$11.50; Conference Auxiliary, \$3.  To tal to General Fund.—Beatrice: Centenary, \$3.40; Bellwood, \$1.42; De Witt, \$7.25; Plattsmouth, \$1.82; Wahoo, 61 cents. Total, \$14.50.  To Special General Fund.—Beatrice: Centenary, \$3.40; Bellwood, \$1.42; De Witt, \$7.25; Plattsmouth, \$1.82; Wahoo, 61 cents. Total, \$14.50.  To Beneficiary Fund.—To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Lincoln: St. Paul's, \$20.72; Mrs. Miller, \$50; Nebraska City, \$5.53.  Total to Beneficiary Fund,	De Witt, \$7.50; Fairbury, \$4.25; Pawnee City, \$12; Wymore, \$6.40.	
To Beneficiary Fund.—To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Lincoln: St. Paul's, \$20 72; Mrs. Miller, \$50; Nebraska City, \$5.53.  Total, \$76.25.  Total to Beneficiary Fund,	HASTINGS DISTRICT.—Clay Center, \$6; Edgar, \$17.50; Fairfield, Geneva, \$19; Hastings, \$5.  Lincoln District.—Crete, \$9.25; a friend, \$2; Lincoln: Emmans \$4; donation, \$1; Grace, \$20; St. Paul, \$43.50; Trinity, \$14; Raymo \$9.86; University Place, \$11.35; Valparaiso, \$6; Wahoo, \$6.  Nebraska City District.—Auburn, \$3.55; Falls City, \$15.50; Hu boldt, \$2.25; Johnson, donation, \$1; Nebraska City, \$14; Palmyra, \$6.  Peru, \$1.75; Plattsmouth, \$3.18; Pleasant View, \$8.50; Table Rock, \$10  Tecumsel, \$17; Weeping Water, \$12.  York District.—Bellwood, \$17.10; Band, 74 cents; Brainerd, David City, \$21.50; Milford, \$3.75; Osceola, \$19.50; Stromsburg, \$8; You \$11.50; Conference Auxiliary, \$3.  Total to General Fund,	\$7; 1.50. uel, oud, i.96. um- .50; .50; i.73. \$5; ork, o.09.
Paul's, \$20 72; Mrs. Miller, \$50; Nebraska City, \$5.53.  Total, \$76.25.  Total to Beneficiary Fund, \$76.25.  To Special Fund.—To Marcy Home.—Lincoln: Trinity, \$1.35.  Total, \$1.35.  S33.20; Mrs. Esterbrook, \$2; Mead, 75 cents; Pleasant View, \$1.50; Table Rock, \$2.60; Virginia, \$5; Waverly, 60 cents; from mite-boxes: Beatrice, \$9.10; De Witt, \$2.05; Garrison, \$1; Johnson, \$2.75; Milford, 90 cents; Osceola, \$8; Stromsburg, \$8.25; Virginia, \$2.15; Vork, 60 cents; for supplies: Blue Springs, \$7; Crete, \$11.15; David City, \$13.50; Lincoln: St. Paul's, \$4.08; Pawnee City, \$16; Weeping Water, \$5; York, "Sunshine Band," \$2.55; Brick Books, \$2.  Total, \$143.48.  Hospital Fund.—Beatrice: Centenary, 50 cents; De Witt, \$1; a friend, 50 cents; Lincoln: Trinity, \$4.05; University Place, \$3; Vork: Junior League, \$3; bringing child from Alaska, \$1.  Total, \$13.05.  Total to Special Fund,	Total to opecial orderal fund,	
Total, \$1.35.  To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Blue Springs, \$1.75; Lincoln: St. Paul's, \$33.20; Mrs. Esterbrook, \$2; Mead, 75 cents; Pleasant View, \$1.50; Table Rock, \$2.60; Virginia, \$5; Waverly, 60 cents; from mite-boxes: Beatrice, \$9.10; De Witt, \$2.05; Garrison, \$1; Johnson, \$2.75; Milford, 90 cents; Osceola, \$8; Stromsburg, \$8.25; Virginia, \$2.15; Vork, 60 cents; for supplies: Blue Springs, \$7; Crete, \$11.15; David City, \$13.50; Lincoln: St. Paul's, \$4.08; Pawnee City, \$16; Weeping Water, \$5; York, "Sunshine Band," \$2.55; Brick Books, \$2.  **Hospital Fund.**—Beatrice: Centenary, 50 cents; De Witt, \$1; a friend, 50 cents; Lincoln: Trinity, \$4.05; University Place, \$3; York: Junior League, \$3; bringing child from Alaska, \$1.  Total, \$13.05.  Total to Special Fund, \$157.88.  Grand total, \$665.56.	Paul's, \$20 72; Mrs. Miller, \$50; Nebraska City, \$5.53. Total, \$76	
To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Blue Springs, \$1.75; Lincoln: St. Paul's, \$33.20; Mrs. Esterbrook, \$2; Mead, 75 cents; Pleasant View, \$1.50; Table Rock, \$2.60; Virginia, \$5; Waverly, 60 cents; from mite-boxes: Beatrice, \$9.10; De Witt, \$2.05; Garrison, \$1; Johnson, \$2.75; Milford, 90 cents; Osceola, \$8; Stromsburg, \$8.25; Virginia, \$2.15; York, 60 cents; for supplies: Blue Springs, \$7; Crete, \$11.15; David City, \$13.50; Lincoln: St. Paul's, \$4.08; Pawnee City, \$16; Weeping Water, \$5; York, "Sunshine Band," \$2.55; Brick Books, \$2.  **Hospital Fund.**—Beatrice: Centenary, 50 cents; De Witt, \$1; a friend, 50 cents; Lincoln: Trinity, \$4.05; University Place, \$3; York: Junior League, \$3; bringing child from Alaska, \$1.  **Total to Special Fund,, \$157.88, Grand total,, 665.56.		
	To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Blue Springs, \$1.75; Lincoln: St. Par \$33.20; Mrs. Esterbrook, \$2; Mead, 75 cents; Pleasant View, \$1.50; Ta Rock, \$2.60; Virginia, \$5; Waverly, 60 cents; from mite-boxes: Beast \$9.10; De Witt, \$2.05; Garrison, \$1; Johnson, \$2.75; Milford, 90 cer Osceola, \$8; Stromsburg, \$8.25; Virginia, \$2.15; York, 60 cents; for splies: Blue Springs, \$7; Crete, \$11.15; David City, \$13.50; Lincoln: Paul's, \$4.08; Pawnee City, \$16; Weeping Water, \$5; York, "Sunsh Band," \$2.55; Brick Books, \$2.  **Hospital Fund.**—Beatrice: Centenary, 50 cents; De Witt, \$1; a frie 50 cents; Lincoln: Trinity, \$4.05; University Place, \$3; York: Jun League, \$3; bringing child from Alaska, \$1.  **Total to Special Fund, \$157.88.  **Grand total, \$157.88.	ul's, able rice, uts; sup- St. nine 3.48, end, nior

### Newark Conference.

MRS. RUTH PRUDEN, Treasurer, 238 Mulberry Street, Newark, New Jersey.

To General Fund.—ELIZABETH DISTRICT.—Cranford, \$18; life member, \$20; Elizabeth: Park Church, \$12.50; Circle, \$3; St. James, \$66.19; child's paper, \$1; Plainfield: First Church, \$44.64; donation, \$5; Circle, \$5.60; Grace, \$27; child's paper, \$1; Circle, \$4; Westfield, \$40; mite-boxes, \$12.04; Circle, \$23.50.

JERSEY CITY DISTRICT.—Bayonne, \$4.39; Englewood, N. J., \$1; mite-boxes, \$1; Jersey City: Centenary, \$15; through Mrs. Edward Jones, \$10; Emory Church, \$3.50; mite-boxes, \$1; West Side Avenue, \$42.95; mite-boxes, \$2.66.

Total, \$81.50.

NEWARK DISTRICT.—Bloomfield, \$34; East Orange: Calvary, \$142.11; life member, \$10; donation, \$20; Circle, \$13.26; Boys' League, \$5; for child's paper, \$3; "Christophorus" Band, \$22.45; Madison, \$23.55; miteboxes, \$2.45; Montclair, \$103; Circle, 90 cents; mite-boxes, \$11; Morristown, \$121.30; Newark: Centenary, \$32; Circle, \$12; Central, \$39, Eighth Avenue, \$26.50; Halsey Street, \$76; Roseville, \$108; St. Luke's, \$43; miteboxes, \$2.10; St. Paul's, \$35; Trinity, \$11.40; Orange: First Church, \$60; Tabor, \$20; South Orange, for children's paper, \$1.

PATERSON DISTRICT—Newton \$22; Paterson: Cross Street \$25.05;

Paterson District.—Newton, \$3; Paterson: Cross Street, \$25.05; Grace, \$24; mite-boxes, \$5.63; Market Street, \$47; children's paper, \$1; Washington, \$20.

Conference gatherings, \$65; Mrs. Kent, for children's paper, \$5.

Total, \$70.

To Special General Fund.—Elizabeth: St. James, Circle, Mrs. Lewis's salary, \$15; Montclair, \$34.27; Newark: Roseville, \$20; Orange: First Church, \$10.

Total, \$79.27.

To Boylan Home.—Newark: Halsey Street, \$30. Total, \$30.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Morristown, \$111.
Total, \$111.

Total to Special General Fund, . . . . . . . . \$220.27.

To Beneficiary Fund.—To Albuquerque.—East Orange: Calvary, "Christophorus" Band, \$10.

To Asheville.—Cruaford, \$2; South Orange, \$1.

Total, \$3.

To Boylan Home. - Plainfield: First Church, \$8.50. Total, \$8.50.

To Haven Home.—Bloomfield, \$10; Paterson: Market Street, \$5.
Total, \$15.

To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Roseville, Mrs. N. S. H. Simmons, \$50; South Orange, \$1.

Total, \$51.

To Navajoes.—Montclair, \$2; South Orange, \$1.

To Ulah.—Paterson: Market Street, \$20.

To Watts de Peyster Home.—Elizabeth: St. James, \$20.

Total, \$3.

Total, \$3.

Total, \$20.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$130.50.

To Special Fund.—To Albuquerque.—East Orange: Calvary, \$20; Elizabeth: St. James, \$10; Madison, through Mrs. Kent, \$21.10; for memorial window, \$1.75; Tabor, \$10; for furnishing: Morristown, \$50; Plainfield: First Church, \$20; Grace, Circle, \$5.

Total, \$137.85.

To Asheville.—Bloomfield, \$2; East Orange: Calvary, \$25; Montclair, \$2; Orange: First Church, \$5; Paterson: Market Street, \$10; Plainfield: Grace, \$2.

Total, \$46.

To Book Room, New York City.—East Orange: Calvary, \$5; Elizabeth: St. James, \$5; Plainfield: First Church, \$5; Grace, \$2; Newark: Halsey Street, \$5.

Total, \$22.

To Boylan Home.—For "Linda B. Fitzgerald" Room: Baskingridge, \$2; Bloomfield, \$5; Cranford, \$10; East Orange: Calvary, \$10; Jersey City: West Side Avenue, \$2; Newark: Centenary, \$5; Central, \$25; Halsey Street, \$5; Roseville, \$5; Plainfield: First Church, \$5; Mrs. Boswell, \$1; for "V. M. Vreeland" Memorial: Newark, Halsey Street, \$15. Total, \$90. To Boylan Home, Memorial Fund.—East Orange, \$25; Montclair, \$5; Morristown, \$10; Newark: St. Luke's, \$5; St. Paul's, \$5; Westfield, \$5.

Total, \$55. To Immigrant's Home, New York.—Montclair, \$10. Total, \$10. To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska. - Cranford, Circle, \$15.50; East Orange: Calvary, \$5; Elizabeth: St. James, \$5; Madison, \$10; Newark: Halsey Street, \$5; Paterson: Market Street, \$10; Plainfield: Grace, \$2.

Total, \$52.50. To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Bayonne, 20 cents; Cranford, Circle, for furniture in R. B. Ham Room, \$2; East Orange: Calvary, \$3.90; Englewood, 30 cents; Montclair, \$3.50; Morristown, \$10; Newark: Halsey Total, \$24.90.

Street, \$5.
To Navajoes.—Elizabeth: St. James, \$1. Total, SI. To Rest Home, Ocean Grove.—Elizabeth: St. James, \$6; Plainfield:

Grace, \$10. Total, \$16. To Watts de Peyster Home.—Elizabeth: St. James, \$120; East Orange: "Christophorus" Band, for shoes, \$1.50; Montclair, \$1.50. Total, \$123.

# New England Conference.

MISS E. J. WEBSTER, Treasurer, 28 Greenwich Park, Boston, Mass.

To General Fund.—Boston District.—Boston: Bromfield Street, To General Fund.—Boston District.—Boston: Bromheid Street, \$13; Brookline, \$22; Dorchester, \$32; Eggleston Square, \$10.16; Hyde Park, \$38; Jamaica Plain, \$11; People's Temple, \$6; Roslindale, \$20; St. John's \$38; Stanton Avenue, \$12; Temple Street, \$100; Tremont Street, \$126; "Queen's Esther" Circle, \$2; Winthrop Street, \$53; "Cheerful Workers," \$3.25; life members, \$2; Natick, \$10; Newton, \$16; Newton Center, \$13; Newtonville, \$27; Oxford, \$6; Wallaston, \$10; Webster, \$9; Worcester, \$86.04.

Lynn District.—Beverly, \$17; Boston: Saratoga Street, \$26; Chelsea, \$11; East Boston, \$17; East Saugus, \$9.50: Everett, \$29; Gloucester, \$12; Ipswich, \$10; Lynn: Common Street, \$70; Circle, \$5; Maple Street, \$6.75; South Street, \$25; St. Paul's \$10.75; Marblehead, \$12; Malden, \$85; Center, \$15; Belmont Church, \$25; Franklin, \$6; Melrose, \$49; Peabody, \$18; Salem, \$39; Stoneham, \$3.75; Winthrop, \$18.50; Asbury Grove, \$10.50.

NORTH BOSTON DISTRICT.—Cambridge: Grace, \$19; Harvard Street, NORTH BOSTON DISTRICT.—Cambridge: Grace, \$19; Harvard Street, \$36: Epworth, \$13: Charleston: Monument Square, \$12.75: Trinity, \$3; Clinton, \$20; Fitchburg, \$17; Hudson, \$9.30; Leominster, \$25.50; Lowell: Central, \$13; St. Paul's, \$13; Somerville: Broadway, \$12; First Church, \$32: Flint Street, \$25; Park Avenue, \$39.14; Band, \$1.75: Waltham: First Church, \$4; Immanuel, \$13; Watertown, \$13.50; West Fitchburg, \$4.75; Winchester, \$14.

Springfield District.—Athol, \$21.50; Chicopee Falls, \$25; Northauston, \$30.50; Springfield, \$107.75; Westfield, \$42; Wilhraham, \$1

ampton, \$20.50; Springfield, \$197.75; Westfield, \$42; Wilbraham, \$4.

Total, \$310.75. Total, \$82. Conference gatherings, \$79; for Child's Paper, \$3. Total to General Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$1,929.64.

To Special General Fund.—To Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—For Miss Huff: Boston: Temple Street, \$5; Winthrop Street, \$9; by voucher, \$1; Charlestown: Monument Square, \$1; Stoneham, \$1. Total, \$17. Total to Special General Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . \$17. To Beneficiary Fund.—To Browning Home.—Boston: Hyde Park, \$19.53; Winthrop Street, \$15; for Daisy McLean, \$10; "Cheerful Workers, \$30; Springfield District, for M. D. Sprague, \$26. Total, \$100.53 Total, \$100.53. To E. L. Rust Home. - Boston: Roslindale, \$10; Winchester, \$10. Total, \$20. To Haven Home .- Lynn: Common Street, Circle, for Patience M. Lawton, \$40; Malden, \$25; Belmont, Church, Mrs. M. C. Waitt, \$25. To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Boston: Temple Street, \$50; Tremont Street, \$50; Cambridge: Harvard Street, \$15; Lowell: St. Paul's \$12; Lynn: St. Paul's, \$5. Total, \$132. To King Home.—Chicopee Falls, \$10. Total, \$10. To Peck Home.—Springfield District, \$5. Total, \$5. To Ritter Home.—Lynn: South Street, for Hattie Schultz, \$10. Total, \$10. To Simpson Home.—Lynn: St. Paul's, \$20. Total, \$20. To Stickney Home.-Boston: Tremont Street, \$25; Melrose, \$5. Total, \$30. To Thayer Home.—East Boston, for Jessie Ray, \$10; Saratoga Street, for Jessie Ray, \$10; Malden, \$60; Mrs. G. P. Cox, \$50; Springfield, for Amelia Whitaker, \$25; Winthrop, \$25.

To Watts de Peyster Home.—Boston: Stanton Avenue, \$10. Total, \$180. Total, \$10. To Special Fund.—To Asheville.—Boston: Stanton Avenue, \$10.18; Cambridge: Harvard Street, \$15; Webster, \$2.50. Total, \$27.68. To Boylan Home.-Malden, \$40. Total, \$40. Total, \$25. To Browning Home.—Boston: Winthrop Street, \$25. To King Home.—Boston: Tremont Street, \$10; Winthrop Street, \$5; Dorchester, \$5; Chicopee Falls, \$5.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Home and Training-school.—Boston: Brook-John's \$2; Tremont Street, \$10; Winthrop Street, \$3; East Boston, \$2; Stanton Avenue, \$2; St. John's \$2; Tremont Street, \$10; Winthrop Street, \$3; Cambridge, \$5; Harvard Street, \$3; East Boston, \$2; Everett, \$5; Lynn: Common, \$2; Circle, \$1; St. Paul's, \$6; Melrose, \$11; Newton Center, \$5; Somerville: Park Avenue, \$2; Stoneham, \$5; Webster, \$3; Winchester, \$1; Winthrop, \$7; Worcester, \$5. Total, \$86. To Mothers' Jewels Home. - Boston: Brookline, \$1.40; Eggleston Square, \$3.10; Stanton Avenue, \$6.25; St. John's, \$3: Tremont, \$6.60; Winthrop, \$7; Cambridge: Harvard Street, \$15; East Boston: Meridian Street, \$5; Lynn: Common, \$4.40; Malden: Belmont Church, \$2.10; Center, \$4.50; Melrose, \$2; Somerville: Park Avenue, \$1.20; Winthrop, \$3. Total, \$64.55. To Rescue Mission, California.—Boston: Tremont Street, \$5.

To Rescue Mission, California.—Boston: Tremont Street, \$5.

Total, \$5.

To Watts de Peyster Home.—Boston: Tremont Street, \$5; Winthrop Street, \$10; Cambridge: Grace, \$4; Harvard Street, \$5; Worcester, \$4.

Total, \$28.

To Immigrants' Home, East Boston.—Boston: Broinfield Street,

To Immigrants' Home, East Boston.—Boston: Broinfield Street, \$10.80; Brookline, \$12.25; Dorchester, \$5; Eggleston Square, \$24.38; Hyde Park, \$19.04; Roslindale, \$10; St. John's, \$27; Temple Street, \$51; Tre-

mont Street, \$42; Winthrop Street, \$23.17; Cambridge: Epworth Church, \$3; Harvard Street, \$1; Charlestown: Monument Square, \$2; Trinity, \$3; East Boston: Saratoga Street, \$5; Everett, \$1; Franklin, \$4; Gloucester, \$1; Hudson \$8.21; Ipswich, \$5; Leominster, \$6.50; Lynn: Common, \$20; Maple Street, \$22.94; St. Paul's, \$8.45; Malden, \$11.50; Belmont Church, \$1; Center, \$39.65; Melrose, \$25; Newtonville, \$2; Peabody, \$2; Salem, \$9.60; Somerville, \$5; Broadway, \$1; First Church, \$78; Flint Street, \$1; Park Avenue, \$20.78; Springfield, \$109.25; Stoneham, \$9; Waltham, \$25; Webster, \$4; Westfield, \$20; Winchester, \$11; Worcester, \$77; Donations: Mrs. James Mather, \$100; Mrs. C. A. Whitaker, \$125.

# New England Southern Conference.

MRS. E. J. COOPER, Treasurer, 3 Arch Street, New Bedford, Mass.

To General Fund.—New Bedford District.—Bourne, \$20; Circle, \$2; Bryantville, \$10; Cottage City, \$20; Fair Haven, \$18; Fall River, \$49; Circle, \$10; Middleboro, \$24; Myricks, donation, \$3; New Bedford: County Street, \$22; Plymouth, \$7; Taunton: First Church, \$1; Grace, \$24.75; Yarmouth Camp, \$10; Mrs. Robert Woodward, \$1; District contingent fund for children's paper, \$5.

Norwich District. — Burnside, \$22; Hazardville, \$6; mite-box, 52 cents; Hockanum, donation, \$2; Jewett City, \$12; Manchester, \$8; New London, \$36; Band, \$8.50; Circle, \$16.25; Niantic, \$21; mite-boxes, \$5; thank-offering, \$2: Norwich: East Main Street, \$10; Trinity, \$45; South Manchester, \$25; Stafford's Springs, \$70; Wapping, \$9; Willimantic, \$8; toward life-member, \$3; Camp, \$13.

PROVIDENCE DISTRICT.—Bristol, \$24; Brockton: South Street, \$24; Centerville, Rhode Island, donation, \$6; East Weymouth, \$18; Circle, \$20; Porter Church, donation, \$20; Newport: First Church, \$29; Phoenix, Circle, \$2.64; Band, \$7.36; Providence, \$28; Providence Union, \$178; Stoughton: First Church, \$10.20; Self denial, \$3.80; Wickford, donation, \$2; Mrs. M. S. Washburn, \$1.

Bequest of Maria Stetson, \$725; Conference gatherings, \$34.77. Total, \$759.77.

Total, \$25.50.

Total to Special General Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . \$25.50.

To Beneficiary Fund.—To Browning Home.—Fair Haven, for Lizzie Gaskins, \$33.

To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Fall River Union, \$10; New London,

To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Fall River Union, \$10; New London, \$50; Providence Union, \$50.

To King Home.—Providence Union, \$25.

Total, \$110.

Total, \$25.

To Ritter Home.—Fall River, for Octavia Hicks, \$55; Middleboro, \$10; for Anna Bever, \$40.

To Watts de Peyster Home.—New London, Circle, \$18; South Manchester, \$3.

Total, \$21.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$294.

To Special Fund.—To Alger Loan Fund.—Mrs. Alger, \$25. Total, \$25.
To Asheville.—Fall River Union, from a member, \$75; New Bedford District Contingent Fund, \$25; New London, Circle, \$5; Newport, \$10; Niantic, \$5; Norwich: Trinity, \$5; South Manchester, \$5; Stoughton, \$1  Total, \$131
To Browning Home Building Fund.—Bequest of Mrs. Mary A. Wilkes, \$500.  To Jessie Lee Home, Unalaska.—Fall River Union, \$10; Providence Union, Mrs. H. G. Whitaker, honorary manager, to name room, \$100.  Total, \$110.
To King Home.—Fall River Union, \$4: Niantic, \$1. Total, \$5. To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Bourne, 50 cents: East Weymouth, \$1.50; New London, \$2.50; Niantic, \$1; Providence, \$1.20; Providence Union, 40 cents.
To Watts de Peyster Home.—Fall River Union, \$6; New London, \$5. Total, \$11.
Total to Special Fund,
Local Work,
New Hampshire Conference.
Mrs. J. D. Folsom, Treasurer, Grasmere, New Hampshire.
To General Fund.—Concord District.—Concord: Baker Memorial, \$23.50; First Church, \$30.  Total, \$53.50.
Dover District.—Dover, \$5; Greenland, \$8; Mothers' Jewels, 10 cents; Haverhill: First Church, \$11; Grace, \$73; Hedding camp-meeting, mite-boxes, \$6.34; Third Church, Mrs. C. H. Farnsworth, \$2; Wesley, \$18: Mrs. A. T. Wells, mite-box, \$1; Lawrence, \$41.57; Newfields, \$7; Circle, 50 cents; New Market, \$1; Salisbury, \$9.  MANCHESTER DISTRICT.—Antrim, \$15; Claremont, \$19; Union campmeeting, \$4; Keene, \$10; Manchester; St. James, \$7; St. Paul's, \$9; mite-box, \$10; Manchester; St. James, \$7; St. Paul's, \$9; mite-box, \$10; Manchester; St. James, \$7; St. Paul's, \$9; mite-box, \$10; Manchester; St. James, \$7; St. Paul's, \$9; mite-box, \$10; Manchester; St. James, \$10; Manchester; St. James, \$11; Manchester; St. James, \$12; Manchester; St. James, \$13; Manchester; St. James, \$14; Manchester; St. James, \$15; Manchester; Manc
boxes, \$1.87; Marlboro, \$16.20; Salem: Pleasant Street, \$14; mite-box, \$1.  Total, \$97.07.  For Children's Paper.—Concord: First Church, \$5; Haverhill: Third Church, \$1; Manchester: St. James, \$2; Penacook, \$2.74; Salem: Pleasant Street, \$5; Conference gatherings, \$9.26.  Total, \$25.
Total to General Fund,
To Special General Fund.—Antrim, \$2; Chesterfied, \$1; Concord: Baker Memorial, \$5; First Church, \$5; Goffstown, 60 cents; Greenland, \$3; Haverhill: Grace, \$12; Third Church, \$1; Hillsboro Bridge, \$1; Keene, \$3; Marlboro, \$8.28; Nashua, 25 cents; Newfields, \$4.50: West Port, \$2.38; Conference gatherings, \$25.75.
Total to Special General Fund,
To Beneficiary Fund.—To Boylan Home.—Haverhill: Grace, \$96. Total, \$96.
To Haven Home.—Haverhill, Wesley Church, \$10. Total, \$10. To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—For Olga: Concord: Baker Memorial, \$15; Claremont, \$10; Greenland, \$5; Haverhill: First Church, \$5; Grace, \$8; Marlboro, \$1; Newfields, \$5; Conference gatherings, \$6. Total, \$55.
Total to Beneficiary Fund,

To Special Fund.—To Boylan Home.—Claremont, Union campmeeting, \$2.09.  To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Concord: Baker Memorial, \$3.50; Greenland, \$3.20; Manchester: St. James, 20 cents; Marlboro, \$1.30; Salem: Pleasant Street, \$1; Salisbury, \$2.25; Lillian Carpenter, \$1.  Total, \$12.45.
Total to Special Fund,
Local Work,
New Jersey Conference.
Mrs. S. J. Turner, Treasurer, 410 North Fourth Street, Camden, N. J.
To General Fund. — BRIDGETON DISTRICT. — Bridgeton: Central Church, \$52; Commerce Street, \$16; Trinity, \$26.75; Clayton, \$20; Salem: Broadway, \$17.50; Vineland: First Church, \$69.75.  CAMDEN DISTRICT.—Blackwood, \$22.73; Caunden: Bethany, \$5; Broadway, \$64; Circle, \$5; mite-boxes, \$13.16; Centenary, \$70.75; Sacrifice, \$5; First Church, \$8; Tabernacle, \$65.50; Union, \$32; Dudley, \$14.50; Haddonfield, \$27.55.  New Brunswick District.—Asbury Park: First Church, \$37; Sacrifice, \$5; mite-box, \$1.45; life-member, \$5; Cranbury, \$17.79; "Garrison Band," \$10; Manasquan, \$7; Milltown, \$6; New Brunswick: First Church, \$31; St. James, \$12; Ocean Grove: St. Paul's, \$57; mite-box, 50 cents; Red Bank, \$12; Seabright, \$30.  Total, \$231.74.  TRENTON DISTRICT.—Pennington, \$7.50; Trenton: Central Church, \$44; First Church, \$124; St. Paul's, \$34.25; State Street, \$63; Trinity, \$3.50.  Conference, for leaflets, \$10.  Total, \$27.625.  Conference, for leaflets, \$10.  Total, \$1,053.18.
To Special General Fund.—Camden: Centenary, \$10; Union, \$4.41. Total, \$14.41.
Total to Special General Fund, \$14.41.
To Beneficiary Fund. — To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska. — Asbury Park: First Church, \$30; Ocean Grove: St. Paul's, \$20. Total, \$50. To Watts de Peyster Home. — Camden: Broadway, \$5; Centenary, \$15; Ocean Grove: St. Paul's, \$5; "Seaside" Mission Band, \$5; Trenton: State Street, \$5; Conference, \$40. Total, \$75. Total to Beneficiary Fund, \$125.
To Special Fund.—To Albuquerque.—New Brunswick: First Church, \$1; Trenton: State Street, \$2.  To Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Camden: Centenary, \$2.25.  Total, \$2.25.
To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Bridgeton: Central, \$5; Camden: Broadway, \$6.40.  To Pawnee Indians.—Dias Creek, \$7.50.  To Rest Home Ocean Grove.—Red Bank: Grace Church, \$3; Trenton: State Street, \$5.  To Watts de Peyster Home.—Camden; Centenary, \$5; Trenton: State Street, \$5; Seabright, for repairs, \$37.85; for Endowment Fund: Seabright Church, through Mrs. C. B. Fisk, \$66.90.  Total, \$114.75.
Total to Special Fund,
Local Work,

### New Mexico Mission Conference.

MRS. R. Y. SHORT, Treasurer, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

To General Fund.—Albuquerque: Lead Avenue, \$28.17; a friend, \$5; Birthday-box, 62 cents; dividend from bank, \$7.17; Special Contributions, \$10.35; East Las Vegas: First Church, \$7.22; mite-boxes, \$9.75; Las Vegas, First Church, \$4.75.

Conference gathering, \$1.

Total, \$1.

To Special Fund.—To Harwood Home.—Albuquerque: Lead Avenue, \$55.35; AEast Las Vegas: First Church, \$2. Total, \$57.35.

 Total to Special Fund,
 \$57.35.

 Grand total,
 131.38.

 Local Work,
 \$14.77.

### New York Conference.

MRS. J. A. PUNDERFORD, Treasurer, 127 W. Seventieth Street, New York.

To General Fund.—KINGSTON DISTRICT.—Coxsackie, \$42; Haines Falls, \$1; Kingston: Clinton Avenue, \$18.70; St. James, \$31; Rondout, \$29.

NEWBURG DISTRICT.—Newburg: Trinity, \$51.

NEW YORK DISTRICT.—Brewster, \$20; Carmel, \$10; Chatham, \$28; Hudson, \$54.50; Katonah, \$30.06; Kensico, \$12; Lakeville, \$28; New York: Calvary, \$39.57; Eighteenth Street, \$72; Fordham, \$23.50; Grace, \$70.26; Madison Avenue, \$35; Park Avenue. \$34; Young Ladies' Circle, \$40; St. Andrew's, \$47; St. James, \$55; St. Luke's, \$10; Twenty-fourth Street, \$1; Union Church, \$20; Washington Heights, \$17.80; Washington Square, \$77.75; Peekskill: First Church, \$10; St. Paul's \$10; Sing Sing, \$21; Tarrytown, \$57; Tivoli, \$10.30; Tuckahoe, \$7; White Plains, \$28; Yonkers, \$31.10.

Total, \$899.84.

POUGHKEEPSIE DISTRICT. — Madalin, \$3.54; Poughkeepsie: Trinity, \$46; Washington Street, \$26.

Total, \$75.54.

To Special General Fund.—Yonkers: First Church, \$10. Total, \$10.

### New York East Conference.

MRS. E. B. LANTRY, Treasurer, 614 Madison Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

To General Fund.—New Haven District.—Bridgeport: Washington Park, \$11; Hartford: South Park, \$6.50; Middletown, \$61; New Haven, \$3.

Total, \$81.50.

NEW YORK DISTRICT.—Bridgeport: First Church, \$13; Washington Park, \$21.25; New York: Trinity, \$28.42.

BROOKLYN DISTRICT.—Brooklyn: Bushwick Avenue, \$36; De Kalb Avenue, \$13; Circle, \$5; Embury, \$13; Grace, \$35: Hanson Place, \$20; Circle, \$13.50; Janes Church, \$65; Circle, \$6.50; Nostrand Avenue, \$30; Circle, \$17.50; Simpson, \$14; Summerfield, \$7; Summer Avenue, \$48.70; Greenpoint, \$3; Jamaica, \$39; Mt. Vernon, \$37.04; Sea Cliff, \$5.

Total, \$408.24.

From Mite-boxes. — Bridgeport: Washington Park, \$8; Brooklyn: Grace, \$9.90; Hanson Place, \$25; Janes. \$10.60; Nostrand Avenue, \$27.73; Sumner Avenue, \$15.94. Total, \$97.17.

To Beneficiary Fund. — To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska. — Without special credits, \$26.25.

Total, \$26.25.

To Special Fund. — To A'buquerque. — Brooklyn: Hanson Place. "Mothers' Jewels" Band, \$50.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Brooklyn: Hanson Place, 90 cents.

Total, 90 cents.

To Navajoes.—New Haven: South Park, \$30.

To Deaconess Home, Brooklyn.—Amityville, \$50; Babylon, \$3.50; Bridgeport: First Church, \$8.75; Washington Park, \$20; Bristol, \$50; Brooklyn: Andrews, \$10; Bushwick Avenue, \$20; De Kalb, \$3; Embury, \$3.50; First Place, \$16; Fleet Street, \$3; Grace, \$121.81; Hanson Place, \$247.60; Janes Church, \$70.50; New York Avenue, \$287.50; North Fifth Street, \$12; Nostrand Avenue, \$154.50; St John's, \$96; St. Paul's, \$37.50; Simpson, \$27; Sixth Avenue, \$150.40; Summerfield, \$178.50; Sumner Avenue, \$256.50; Warren Street, \$3; Williams Avenue, \$6.65; York Street, \$121.30; Jamaica, \$12; New Rochelle, \$20; South Park, Connecticut, \$2; District Epworth League, \$60.35; Conference, \$125; Individual donations, \$44.70; proceeds from concert, \$150; proceeds from entertainment, \$18.

## Northern New York Conference.

### MRS. A. E. HENDERSON, Treasurer, Oswego, N. Y.

To General Fund.—Adams DISTRICT.—Adams: First Church, \$45.75; mite-box, \$1.70; Belleville, \$17.61; Copenhagen, \$12; Ellisburg, \$1; Greig Mission. \$1; Lowville, \$25; mite-box, \$2.24; New Bremen, \$1; Sackets Harbor, Circle, \$3.50; Turin: Second Church, \$12; Watertown: State Street, \$44.50; Band. \$1.36.

Total, \$171.66.

HERKIMER DISTRICT.—Clayville, \$1; Frankfort, \$24.90; Herkimer, \$39.50; Ilion, \$74.25; life member, \$25; Circle, \$1.50; Mohawk, Circle, \$6; Norway and Gray, \$1.

Total, \$173.15.

Oswego District.—Altmar, \$1.50; Camden, \$10; Circle, \$6; Band, \$3; Fulton: First Church, \$59.75; Circle, \$4; Hannibal, Circle, \$14; Band, \$2.20; Mexico, \$51.85; Circle, \$4.87; Minetto, \$10; Mount Pleasant, \$2; mite-boxes, \$2; Oswego: First Church, \$30; Trinity, \$26.50; Oswego Center, \$20.26; mite-boxes, \$3.45; Pulaski, \$21.65; Band, \$5.03; Sandy Creek, \$15; Vermillion, \$1.

St. Lawrence District.—Burke, \$6; Constable, \$2; Malone, \$20; Morristown, \$7; Ogdensburg, \$31.35; Potsdam, \$35.

Total, \$101.35.

UTICA DISTRICT.—Cliuton, \$4: Hamilton, Circle, \$3.50; Madison, \$22.25; New Hartford, \$18; Rome: First Church, \$68.50; Band, \$4; Stittville, \$1.19; Utica: Centenary, Circle, \$2; First Church, \$34; South Street, \$58.75; Circle, \$4.50; Band, \$1.75; life member, \$20; Vernon, \$4; Westerville, \$10.50.

Total, \$256.94.

Watertown District.—Black River, \$22; Carthage, \$15.95; De Peyster, \$4.25; Evans Mills, \$20.68; Gouverneur, \$21.95; Harrisville, \$11.42; Philadelphia, \$7.45; Theresa, \$8; Watertown: Arsenal Street, \$50; mitebox, 90 cents; Circle, \$2; State Street, mite-box, \$5.78. Total, \$170.38. Miscellaneous.—Copenhagen, donation, \$1; Fulton, tea money, \$5;

Gouverneur, self-denial, \$2.50; Potsdam, thank-offering, \$5; Utica: South Street, thank-offering, \$5.50. Total, \$19.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . \$1,186.54.

To Special General Fund.—Adams: First Church, \$4; Madison, \$6; Total, \$14.60. Watertown: Arsenal Street, \$2. Oswego: Trinity, \$2.60; Watertown: Arsenal Street, \$2. Thank-offerings-Adams: First Church, \$4; Belleville, \$1.95; Copenhagen, \$5.50; Fulton: First Church, tea money, \$3.87; Oswego: Trinity, \$2. Total, \$17.32.

Total to Special General Fund, . . . . . . . . . \$31.92.

To Beneficiary Fund.--To New Jersey Home.--Herkimer, \$20; Wa-own: State Street, \$21. Total, \$41. tertown: State Street, \$21. Total, \$41.

To Ritter Home.—Black River, for Ada Morris, \$54; De Peyster, "Sunshine" Circle, \$30; Harrisville, \$11; Lorrain, \$4; Mexico, \$50.12; Utica: Centenary, \$20; South Street, \$35; Watertown: Arsenal Street, \$40; State Street, \$19.50.

To Stickney Home.—Depanville, \$2.

Total, \$263 62.

Total, \$2.

To Watts de Peyster Home .- Utica: South Street, \$40. Total, \$40

Total to Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . . . . . . \$346.62.

To Special Fund.—To E. L. Rust Home.—Watertown: Arsenal Street, for repairs, \$20. Total, \$20. To Josse Lee Home, Unalaska.-Turin, to name window, "Turin (New

York) Woman's Home Missionary Society," \$15. Total, \$15.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Fulton: First Church, \$4.54; tea money, \$5.80; Gouverneaur, \$7.70; Rome: First Church, \$3.50; Watertown: Arsenal Street, \$2.60.

To Ponca, for horse.—Adams, \$1; Lowville, \$1; Watertown: State Street, \$1. Total, \$3.

To Ritter Home.—Adams District: Riverside Camp-ground, \$41.50; Black River, \$13.03; Clayton, for furnace, Rev. A. C. Danforth, \$2.50: Departille, \$20; De Peyster, \$6; Evans Mills, \$4.37; Fulton, \$5; Harrisville, \$4; Heuvelton, \$10.52; Lowville, \$8.50; Morristown, \$10; Ogdensburg, \$30; Oswego: First Church, \$10.50; for sewerage, \$20; Trinity, \$6; Potsdam, for organ, \$25; for furnace, \$50.26; Theresa, \$31; Trenton, camp-meeting, \$9.55; Watertown: Arsenal Street, \$23,60; for furnace, \$50; State Street, \$25.71; for sewerage, \$5; Watertown Listrict, Mr. and Mrs. Ives, for furnace, \$50.

Total, \$421.04. To Watts de Peyster Home .-- Lowville, \$13; Utica: South Street, for repairs, \$5; furnishing bed, \$10. Total, \$28.

Local Work, . \$192.33.

### North Indiana Conference.

MRS. G. A. OSBORN, Treasurer, Marion, Indiana.

To General Fund.—FORT WAYNE DISTRICT.—Bluffton, \$62.58; Decatur, \$37.37; Band, \$3.75; Fort Wayne, \$27.75; Band, \$1.75; Wayne Street, Total, \$180.04. \$7; Huntington, \$39.84.

\$57.76.

GOSHEN DISTRICT.-Benton, \$5.50; Elkhart, \$46.75; Goshen, \$45.25; Leesburg, \$3; Milford, \$15.50; Mishawaka, \$24.60; New Paris, \$10.25; Wakarusa, \$6.75; Wolcottville, \$6.75. Total, \$164.35. Kokomo District.--Converse, 6.09; Logansport: Broadway, \$21.25; Market Street, \$23.50; Wheatland Street, \$29.40; Peru, \$25.50. Total, \$105.74. MUNCIE DISTRICT.—Alexandria, \$14.50; Hartford City, \$48.50; Muncie, \$37.45; High Street, \$10; Red Key, \$17.50. Total, \$127.95. RICHMOND DISTRICT.—Fountain City, \$18.42; Hagerstown, \$16.25; Knightstown, \$29.15; Middletown, \$24; New Castle, \$25.15; Richmond: First Church, \$19.50; Band, \$1.57; Grace, \$23; Winchester, \$21.75. Total, \$178.79. WARSAW DISTRICT.-Marion, \$19.50; First Church, \$5.25; Wabash, \$28.80; First Church, \$11. Total. \$64.55. Donation, Mrs. Lucinda Bland, \$20. Total, \$20. For Children's Paper: Elkhart, \$1; Fort Wayne: Wayne Street, Circle, \$2; Goshen, Circle, \$1; Hartford City, Circle, \$1.25; Knightstown, Circle, 50 cents; Logansport: Broadway, Circle, \$1; Marion, Circle, \$2.50; Middletown, Circle, \$3; Milford, 50 cents; Mishawaka, \$1; Wabash, \$2.50; Wakarusa, 50 cents; Winchester, \$1. Total, \$17.75. To Special General Fund.—Alexandria, \$6; Bluffton, \$10; Decatur, \$15; Elkhart, \$4; toward life member, \$15.50; Fort Wayne, \$15; Fountain City, \$5; Hagerstown, \$10; Hartford, \$15; Huntington, \$22.43; Knightstown, \$7; Logansport: Broadway, \$7.83; Market Street, \$5; Wheatland Street, \$5; Marion, \$25; Middletown, \$10; Mishawaka, \$35.50; Muncie, \$25; New Castle, \$10; Peru, \$2; Red Key, \$9.50; Richmond, \$7.52; Wabash, \$25; Winchester, \$8.85; special gift—Richmond: First Church, \$5. Total, \$306.13. For Salaries: Converse, \$5; Decatur, \$13.39; Elkhart, \$20; Goshen, \$28; Milford, \$18.50; Peru, \$8; Richmond: First Church, \$8; Grace, \$15; Total, \$120.53. Winchester, \$4.64. Total to Special General Fund, . . . . . . . . . \$426.66. To Beneficiary Fund.—To Bennett Home.—Richmond: Grace, \$10. Total, \$10. To Dulce.—Elkhart, toward life member, \$5; Mishawaka, \$1; New Paris, \$7.50. Total, \$13.50. To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Goshen, \$2; Huntington, \$8.30; Richmond: First Church, \$3.14. d: First Church, \$3.14.

To Marcy Home.—Bluffton, \$5; Elkhart, \$10; Logansport, \$7.

Total, \$22. To Ritter Home.—Richmond: First Church, \$9; Grace, \$8.39.
Total, \$17.39. To Special Fund .-- To Dulce .-- Elkhart, \$9.73; Logansport: Wheaton Street, \$1; Marion: First Church, \$10; Mishawaka, \$8; New Paris, \$2; Wakarusa, \$1; Wolcottville, \$1. Total, \$32.73. Total, \$32.73. To Mothers' Jewels Home.-Elkhart, \$1.60; Muncie; High Street, 75 cents; New Castle, \$4.80. Total, \$7.15. To Ritter Home.—Logansport: Broadway, \$5.10; Wheatland Street, \$3.17; Muncie, \$8.57; Peru, \$1.04. Total, \$17.88.

Total to Special Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . .

# North Nebraska Conference.

MRS. C. S. HAVES, Treasurer, Norfolk, Nebraska.

To General Fund	-GRAND ISLAND DIST	RICT.—Belgrade, \$1; Central
City, \$12.25; Clark's, \$1	; Greeley, \$1; North	Bend, \$9.75; Silver Creek,
\$2.50.		Total, \$27.50.

NELIGII DISTRICT.—Battle Creek, 1; Neligh, \$5.50; mite-box, \$1; Oakdale, \$2.50; Pierce, \$1; Plainview, \$16.20.

Total, \$27.20.

Norfolk District.—Beemer, \$13.50; mite-boxes, \$4.10; Dakota City, \$3.15; Decatur, \$1; Lyons, \$8.50; Madison, \$9.70; Norfolk, \$20.25; Stanton, \$17.50; Wakefield, \$1.25; Wausa, \$1; Wayne, \$40.35.

Total, \$120.30

ton, \$17.50; Wakefield, \$1.25; Wausa, \$1; Wayne, \$40.35. Total, \$120.30 OMAHA DISTRICT.—Blair, \$11; Fremont, \$34.95; Omaha: Hanscom Park, \$35.50; Seward Street, \$8; South Tenth Street, \$6.75; Trinity, \$16.85; South Omaha: First Church, \$11.50; Vacoma, \$1; Valley, \$4.50. Total, \$130.05.

To Beneficiary Fund.— To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Fremont, support of girl, \$50; Wayne, \$3.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Creston, \$4.71; Wayne, \$14.05.

Total, \$18.76.

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To Special Fund.—To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Beemer, \$3; Fremont, \$18.25; Norfolk, 90 cents; Omaha: South Tenth Street, 40 cents; Wayne, \$5; for Hospital Fund, \$20.70; Norfolk District, \$6.48.

Total, \$54.73.

To Building Fund.—Emerson, \$1.20; Norfolk, mite-boxes, \$5; Omaha: Seward Street, 40 cents; South Tenth Street, 90 cents; Valley, 80 cents; Wayne, \$11.35.

Total, \$19.65.

To Deaconess Work.—Central City, \$2; Omaha: Hanscom Park, \$5.
Total, \$7.

### North Ohio Conference.

MRS. T. S. SHEPHERD, Treasurer, Wooster, Ohio.

To General Fund.—CLEVELAND DISTRICT.—Avon, \$1; Belden, \$10; Berea, \$25.25; Cleveland: Brooklyn Church, \$11; Franklin Avenue, \$46.50; Gordon Avenue, \$21.25; mite-box, \$1.26; Jennings Avenue, \$10; Station L, \$13; Columbia, \$1; Elyria, \$106; Granger, \$1; Huntington, \$20.35; Lorain, \$3; New London, \$25.25; Oberlin, \$12.09; Rocky River, \$5; Wellington, \$39; mite-box, 21 cents.

Total, \$342.53.

MANSFIELD DISTRICT. — Ashland, \$23.50; Bucyrus, \$13.20; mite-box, \$4; Crestline, \$21; Galion, \$23.50; Hayesville, \$13.26; Mansfield, \$72.05; Circle, \$7.84; Mothers' Jewels, \$1; Mt. Gilead, \$15; Pavonia, \$13.50; Plymouth, \$15.75; Shiloh, \$1.

MT. VERNON DISTRICT.—Clark's: Bloomfield, \$9.25; Gambier: Hope-

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SANDUSKY DISTRICT.—Bellevue, \$4; Norwalk, \$23.50; Plymouth, \$5;

SANDUSKY DISTRICT.—Bellevue, \$4; Norwalk, \$23.50; Plymouth, \$5; Port Clinton, \$17; Sandusky, \$28.45; mite-box, \$1.85; Tiffin, \$47.25; Circle, \$3.40; Mothers' Jewels, \$4.

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WOOSTER DISTRICT Albion, \$12.88; Barberton, \$1.50; Canaan, \$4; Fredericksburg, \$13; Loudonville, \$11.80; North Lawrence, \$11; Ruggles, \$14.75; Circle, 76 cents; Smithville, \$12.50; Wooster, \$40. Total, \$122.19. Interest on Mrs. Stitts' bequest, \$15.75.
Total to General Fund,
To Special General Fund.—Bellevue, \$13.18; Crestline, \$1; Galion, \$3; Union Chapel, \$5.50. Total, \$21.68. For Debt: Ashland, \$1; Bellevue, \$10.75; Bucyrus, \$1.85; Huntington, \$2; Pavonia, \$2; Sandusky, \$2.51. Total, \$20.11.
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To Beneficiary Fund. — To Asheville.—Mt. Vernon, for Belle Jones, \$17; Oberlin. Young Ladies, \$27. Total, \$44. To E. L. Rust Home.—Mansfield, \$25; Tiffin, \$3. Total, \$28. To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Delaware: Grace, through Mrs. Beiler, \$8. To King Home.—Elyria, \$45. To Ritter Home.—Mansfield, for Emma Morris, \$28. Total, \$28.
Total to Beneficiary Fund, \$153.
To Special Fund. — To Asheville. — Galion, \$5.87; Mt. Vernon, \$10; Roscoe, \$2.65; Sandusky, \$10; Tiffin, \$21; for furnishing room, \$19.
Total, \$68.52.  To Deaconess Home, Cleveland.—Cleveland: Franklin Avenue, \$100;  Gordon Avenue, \$30; Jennings Avenue, \$66; Trinity, \$5.  To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Ashland, \$6.60; Berea, \$9.75; Mansfield, \$25.86; Mt. Vernon, \$5; Roscoe, \$5.  To King Home.—Berea, for bath room, \$5.05.  To Molhers' Jewels Home.—Cleveland: Franklin Avenue, \$2; Gordon Avenue, \$1.20; Mansfield, \$1.30; Mt. Vernon, \$5.10; Sandusky, Mrs. Theodore Bauer, 10 cents; Tiffin, \$1.20; Wellington, \$2.33.  To Ritter Home.—Cleveland: Franklin Avenue, \$8.  Total, \$8.
Total to Special Fund\$348.01. Grand total,
Northwest Indiana Conference.
MRS. Myron Campbell, Treasurer, South Bend, Indiana.
To General Fund.—Crawfordsville District.—North Indianapolis,
\$5.25. Total, \$5.25. GREENCASTLE DISTRICT. — Greencastle: College Avenue, \$30.50; Young Ladies, \$12; Rockville, \$1.75; Terre Haute: Centenary, \$57.50.
Total, \$101.75.  LAFAVETTE DISTRICT.—Frankfort, \$29; Lafayette: Trinity, \$38.50.
Total, \$67.50.  SOUTH BEND DISTRICT. — Monticello, \$16.80; South Bend: First Church, \$66.50; Grace, \$5.25.  VALPARAISO DISTRICT. — Crown Point, \$7; Indianapolis: St. Paul, \$13.75; Valparaiso, \$43.74; Conference collection, \$9.  From Mite-boxes: Lafayette: Trinity, toward life-member, \$17.87; Monticello, \$6; South Bend: First Church, \$15.25; Valparaiso, \$7.26.  Total, \$46.38.
Total to General Fund,

To Beneficiary Fund.—To King Home.—Thank-offerings: Monticello, \$5.85; North Indianapolis, \$10.87; South Bend, \$21.31; Terre Haute: Centenary, \$3.50. Total, \$41.53.

To Special Fund.—To Mothers' Jewels Home.—South Bend: First Church, Junior League, \$1; Terre Haute: Centenary, \$2.20. Total, \$3.20. To Immigrants' Home, New York.—Lafayette: Trinity, toward life member, \$2.13.

# Northwest Iowa Conference.

MRS. J. K. BUELLY, Treasurer, Unique, Iowa.

To General Fund.-ALGONA DISTRICT.-Alden, \$5.25; Alexander, \$2.55; mite-box, 90 cts.; Algona, \$27; Bancroft, \$12; Britt, \$17; Burt, \$2.75; \$2.55; Inte-box, 90 cts., Algoria, \$27, Bancier, \$2, cts.; Dows, \$4.50; Ellis \$1.80; Emmettsburg, \$2; Garner, \$8,75; Goldfield, \$7.75; Hardy, \$3.25, Humboldt, \$3; Klemme, \$5.25; Lake Mills, \$2; Luverne, \$5; Oakland Valley, \$11.25; honorary member, \$1; Rennick, \$5; Webster City, \$29.92; West Bend, \$4.50; Woodstock, \$5. ley, \$11.25; honorary member, \$1; Kenniek, \$3.

West Bend, \$4.50; Woodstock, \$5.

Total, \$202.32.

FORT DODGE DISTRICT.—Alta, \$27; Aurelia, \$4.25; Burnside, 75 cts.;
Fonda, \$1.25; Fort Dodge: First Church, \$14; Second Church, \$1.75;
Hubbard, \$12.25; Humboldt, \$5; Jolley, \$7; Lake City, \$10 50; Lohrville,
\$20; Manson, \$30.25; Newell, \$13; Radcliffe, \$13; Rockwell City, \$17; Stanhope, \$3; Storm Lake, \$48.75; Circle, \$5.10; Stratford, \$2.25; West Fort
Total, \$241.85.

Dodge, \$5.75.

IDA GROVE DISTRICT.—Anthon, mite-box, \$1.50; Arthur, \$12; Charter Oak, \$13.75; Cushing, \$4.25; Deloit, Mrs. Rev. Clift, \$1; Early, \$13; Galva, \$36.80; Grant City, \$10; Holstein, \$6.50; Ida Grove, \$10.50; Jackson, \$5; Kingsley, \$13.75; Lake View, \$10.25; Odebolt, \$8; Peiro, \$4.50; Pierson, Band, 40 cts.; Circle, \$4; Silver, \$10; Smithland, \$11; Vaii, \$3; Wall Lake, \$10.50; West Side, \$8.35.

\$10.50; West Side, \$8.35.

SHELDON DISTRICT.—Ashton, \$1; Calumet, \$17.50; Curlew, \$3; Dickens, \$8.25; Everly, \$20.75; Estherville, \$2; Excelsior, \$2.25; Hartley, \$18.25; Havelock, \$15.85; Hull, \$12.50; Inwood, \$37.50; Circle, \$7; Lake Park, \$1.55; Laurens, \$9.50; Lester, \$1; Little Rock, \$5.85; Marathon, \$21.75; mite-boxes, \$9.23; May City, \$18.75; mite-boxes, \$1.70; Milford, \$20.80; mite-boxes, \$2.15; Ocheyedan, \$1; Paulina, \$7; Plover, \$11.75; Rock Rapids, \$20.80; Band, \$2; Rolfe, \$14.35; Ruthven, \$8.75; Sanborn, \$3.75; Sheldon, \$22; Sibley, \$9.75; Sioux Rapids, \$4.70; Spencer, \$49.25; Circle, \$3.15; "Oneou Esthers," \$2.05; Spirit Lake, \$1. Total, \$399.43.

SIOUX CITY DISTRICT,—Bethel: Peiro, \$8.25; unite-box toward life member, \$1.45; Calliope, \$14.30; Epworth, \$5.25; Hawarden, \$2.32; Ireton, \$4.25; Le Mars, \$35.80; Meriden: Epworth, \$5.75; Morning Side: Grace Circle, \$6.75; Peiro, \$15; Salix, \$14.25; Sioux City: First Church, \$25; Grace, \$15.75; Queen Esther Circle, \$18.

Grace, \$15.75; Queen Esther Circle, \$18. Total, \$172.12. Conference gatherings, \$36.20. Total, \$36.20.

To Special General Fund.—Miss Page's Salary: Algona, \$3.81; Alta, \$3; Arthur, \$4; Bancroft, \$4; Britt, \$2; Calumet, \$3; Clear Lake, \$14.77; Corinth, \$5; Epworth, \$2; Fort Dodge, \$2.70; Galva, \$2.75; Garner,

\$5; Good Hope, \$1; Grant City, \$4; Hartley, \$2.90; Havelock, \$7; Hawarden, \$1.45; Holstein, \$5; Ida Grove, \$4; Inwood, \$2; Ireton, \$1; Kingsley, \$3; Lake View, \$3; Le Mars, \$1.50; Lester, 50 cts.; Lohrville, \$5; Manson, \$7.40; Marathon, 50 cts.; May City, 80 cts.; Milford, \$2; Morning Side: Grace, \$1; Newell, \$3.40; Odebolt, \$1; Paulina, \$6.15; Peterson, \$1.12; Plover, \$6; Radcliff, \$3; Rock Rapids, \$8; Ruthven, \$2; Salix, \$5; Sheldon, \$5; Sibley, \$3.50; Silver, Band, 70 cts.; Sioux City: First Church, \$8.62; "Queen Esthers," \$1; Grace, \$5; Sioux Rapids, \$5.05; Spencer, \$10; Storm Lake, \$15, 50; Webster City, 70 cts.; Webster City, 7 Lake, \$15.50; Webster City, 50 cts.; West Side, \$3; from Jesse Lee Home, credits, \$25.41. Total, \$224.03.
From Mite-boxes: Britt, 50 cts.: Charter Oak, \$4.75; Cushing, \$2.87;

Ellis, \$8; Excelsior, 46 cts.; Fort Dodge, \$1; Grant City, \$5; Hardy, \$1.34; Hawarden, 35 cts.; Hubbard, \$4.08; Inwood, \$19.50; Jolley, \$1.18; Klemme. 92 cts.; Lake City, \$3; Manson, \$4.36; Marathon, \$8.92; Meriden, \$1; Milford, \$6.61; Newell, \$5.32; Paulina, \$1.95; Pierson, 60 cts.; Rockwell City. \$4.45; Sibley, 35 cts.; Sioux City: Grace, \$6.84; Sioux Rapids, \$2.50; Smithland, \$1.53; Spencer. \$10.82; Storm Lake, 30 cts.; Wall Lake, \$8; West Bend, \$3.34; West Fort Dodge, \$2.35; Woodstock, \$1.15. Total, \$123.34.

Total to Special General Fund , . . . . . . . . \$347.37.

To Beneficiary Fund. - To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska. - Alta, \$3; Bancroft, \$5; Britt, \$1; Calumet, \$2; Charter Oak, \$7.25; Clear Lake, \$4.53; Early, \$5; Galva, \$12; Havelock, \$1.84; Holstein, \$5; Ida Grove, \$3; Inwood, \$2.82; Kingsley, \$8.15; Lohrville, \$8.82; mite-box, \$4.18; Milford, \$4; Newell, \$7.65; Paulina, \$2.50; Plover, \$1; Rock Rapids, Band for Parst Tuck, \$5; Sioux City: Grace, \$3.35; Spencer, \$6.07; Webster City, \$15.
Total, \$118.16.

\$25.41 of the above amount is credited to Miss Page's salary.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—For Lura Hill: Algona, \$6.19; Calliope, \$1.98; Epworth League, \$2; Calumet, \$2; Hartley, 2; Havelock, \$3; Ireton, \$1.50; Plover, \$3; Rock Rapids, \$5; Salix, \$2.34; Sargant's Bluffs. \$3; Webster City, \$2. Total, \$34.01.

To Peck Home.—Arthur, \$5; Grant City, \$5; Havelock, \$3.16; Man-\$5.27; Milford, \$4; Sioux City: First Church, \$10. Total, \$32.43. son, \$5,27; Milford, \$4; Sioux City: First Church, \$10. To Ritter Home.—Silver, \$5. Total, \$5.

To Stickney Home. -Alta, \$3: Bancroft, \$1.70; Grant, City, \$3: Ireton, \$6.50; Storm \$2.25; Milford, \$4; Rock Rapids, \$5; Sibley, \$2; Spencer, Lake, \$4.50. Total, \$31.95.

To Special Fund.—To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Luverne, \$1.25; Newell, \$2.75; Webster City, \$3.25. To King Home.—Arthur, \$2. Total, \$7.25. Total, \$2.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Corwith, \$1.60; Marathon, \$6.43; Newell, 25 cts.; Sheldon, 87 cts.; Spencer, \$5.25; Stratford, 75 cts. To Marcy Home.—Webster Clty, \$3.30. Total, \$15.15. Total, \$3.30.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Burdette, mite-boxes, \$6.48; Calumet, \$5.87; Grant City, \$1; Holstein, \$1; Inwood, \$3.80; Kingsley, \$2.70; Milford, \$1.20; Peiro, 40 cts.; Pierson, Band, \$2.26; Plover, \$4; Sheldon, \$1.20; miteboxes, 70 cts.; Spencer, 75 cents.; Junior League, mite-boxes, \$2.38; Vail, Total, \$33.84.

To Peck Home.-Inwood, \$4. Total, \$4. Total, \$2. To Spencer Home.—Clear Lake for furnishing, \$2.

To Deaconess Work.-Rockwell, \$4.30: Storm Lake, \$867 Total, \$12.97.

Total to Special Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$So.51. 

### Northwest Kansas Conference.

MRS. L. B. HALE, Treasurer, 125 South Seventh Street, Sabina, Kansas. To General Fund, -- CONCORDIA DISTRICT. -- Mankato, \$10.75; life Total, \$25.75. member, \$15. Total, \$15.23. Salina District.—Salina, \$14.10; for the debt, \$1.13. 

### Ohio Conference.

MISS FLORENCE M. STRICKLER, Treasurer, 763 Oak Street, Columbus, Ohio.

To General Fund.—CHILLICOTHE DISTRICT.—Chillicothe, \$35.80; Frankfort, \$32; New Holland, \$20.50; Selden, \$8.75; Mt. Carmel, \$5.50; Slate Mills, \$10.50; mite-boxes, \$4; Washington C. H., \$21. Total, \$138.05.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.—Chatham, \$3; Columbus: Broad Street, \$100; King Avenue, \$24.10; Neil Avenue, \$27.80; North Columbus, \$5.50; South High Street, \$18.45; Third Avenue, \$89; "Golden Rule" Band, \$4; miteboxes, \$13.08; Young Ladies, \$32.50; Town Street, \$35; Wesley Chapel, \$23.50; Young Ladies, \$18.75; mite-boxes, \$1.32.

GALIPOLIS DISTRICT—Regular Cycles Page \$4. Engine town \$1.02!!

\$23.50; Young Ladies, \$18.75; mite-doxes, \$1.32.
GALLIPOLIS DISTRICT.—Berlin, Cross Roads, \$2; Ewington, \$1; Gallipolis, \$62; Jackson, \$18.25; Pomeroy, \$1; Proctorville and Rome, \$1; Racine, \$10.50; Waterloo, \$1; Wellston, \$1.

LANCASTER DISTRICT.—Circleville, \$31.20; Lancaster, \$19.50; Campmeeting, \$5.25; Logan, \$22.60; life member, \$10; mite-boxes, \$1.40; Royalton, \$2.

London District.—Delaware: St. Paul, \$54.90; mite-boxes, \$5.47; Harrisburg, \$8.75; Stratford, \$9.32; Worthington, \$7. MARIETTA DISTRICT.—Athens, \$19.25; Marietta, \$40.50; Nelsonville, mite-box, \$2.62.

\$28; mite-box, \$2.62. PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT.—Ironton, \$13.75; Portsmouth: Bigelow, \$52; "Queen Esther" Circle, \$5; Sixth Street, \$24.55; donation, \$8.27; mite-box, \$2.20. Total, \$105.77.

Zanesville District.—Malta, \$27.50; mite-box, \$2.14; Newark, \$22.50; Zanesville, \$29.

esville, \$29. Total, \$81.14.
Thank-offerings: Lancaster, \$18.18; London District, \$8.25; Ports-th, \$3.57; sale of leaflets, 50 cents.
Total, \$30.50. mouth, \$3.57; sale of leaflets, 50 cents.

To Special General Fund.—Athens, \$1.75; Chillicothe, \$12.63; Columbus: Broad Street, \$5.25; Delaware: St. Paul, tea money, \$4.10; Newark, \$3.70; Selden, \$1. Total, \$28.43.

Total, \$5. For Alaska: Delaware, St. Paul, \$5. For debt: Circleville, through Mrs. Morris, \$6; Columbus: King Ave-Total, \$39.34 nue, \$8.34; Gallipolis, \$5; Harrisburg, \$5; Slate Mills, \$15.

To Beneficiary Fund.—To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Harrisburg, \$1.50; Ironton, "Lucy Webb Hayes" Circle, \$20; Lancaster, \$1.50; Logan, \$6; Nelsonville, \$1.50; Newark, \$1.50; Portsmouth: Bigelow, \$1.50; Sixth Total, \$45.

To King Home.—Portsmouth: Sixth Street, \$50. Total, \$50.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Jackson, \$5. Total, \$5. To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Columbus: Third Avenue, Young Ladies, \$40; for Joseph Taw: Athens, \$2; Chillicothe, \$50. Total, \$92. To Ritter Home,—Columbus: Broad Street, \$40; Third Avenue, \$50;

"Golden Rule" Band, \$80; Nelsonville, \$12.50. Total, \$182.50.

Total, \$66.79.

To Special Fund.—To Albuquerque.—Chillicothe, \$50; Circleville, for furniture, \$12; Columbus: Broad Street, \$40; Neil Avenue, \$10; South High Street, \$10; Town Street, \$20; Wesley Chapel, \$100; Delaware: St. Paul, \$16.90; Gallipolis, \$5; Ironton, \$10; Marietta, \$10; New Holland, Lida H. Evans, \$10.

Total, \$293.90.

To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Circleville, \$1.50; Delaware: St. Paul, \$1.75; Logan, \$1.50; for a cow: Columbus, Broad Street, \$9.50; collection Total, \$40.75. at Annual Meeting, \$26.50.

To Indian Work.—Columbus: Town Street, \$10. Total, \$10.

To Marcy Home.—Criminus. Town Street, \$10.

To Marcy Home.—Ironton, \$5.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Chillicothe, \$1.70; Ironton, \$10; "Lucy Webb Hayes" Circle, \$25; Lancaster, 70 cents; London District, \$1.50; Portsmouth: Sixth Street, \$1.20; Zanesville, \$10.

To Immigrants' Home, New York.—Chillicothe, \$30; Columbus:

Broad Street, \$40; King Avenue, \$50; Delaware: St. Paul, \$13.90; Gallipolis, \$10; Ironton, \$10; Marietta, \$10; Nelsonville, \$10; Newark, \$28.05; Slate Mills, \$3; Stratford, \$5.55; Worthington, \$10.

Total, \$220.50.

## Oregon Conference.

MRS. E. A. B. GRANNIS, Treasurer, 226 Church Street, Salem, Oregon.

To General Fund.—Gran's Pass District.—Ashland, \$11.75; Central Point, \$5; Gran's Pass, \$7; Jacksonville, \$5; Medford, \$5.50; Roseburg, \$8.50.

Total, \$42.75.

PORTLAND DISTRICT.—Astoria, Circle, 52 cents; Forest Grove, \$5; Oregon City, \$16.20; Portland: Centenary, \$10; Central, \$17.50; Clark's Church, \$11; First Church, \$31.40; Mt. Tabor, \$2.65; Patton Church, \$8.25; Trinity, \$16.95. Total, \$119.47.

SALEM DISTRICT.—Albany, \$8.50; Amity, \$1.75; Dayton, \$16.38; Highland, \$3; Salem: First Church, \$25.50; Leslie Church, \$6; Conference Society, \$11. Total, \$72.13.

Paid to district work, \$132.79; half-dues paid to deaconess work, \$48.45. Total, \$181.24.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$415.59.

To Beneficiary Fund.—To Stickney Home.—Ashland, \$1.50; Astoria, \$5; Dayton, \$2.55; Portland: Centenary, \$1.40; Central, 56 cents; Rosebury, \$2.50; Salem: First Church, \$3.65.

Total, \$17.16.

To Special Fund.—To Stickney Home.—Albany, \$4.25; Ashland, 50 cents; Mt. Tabor, \$2.35; Salem, \$3.80; Conference collection, \$25.85.

Paid to Siletz Indian Mission, \$50. Total, \$50. To Deaconess Home, Portland.—Ashland, \$7; Central Church, \$1.24; Monroe, \$1; Roseburg, \$1; Salem, 50 cents; without special credits, \$22.45;

> Total to Special Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$153.54.

Conference, \$33.60.

# Philadelphia Conference.

MRS. D. DAILEY, JR., Treasurer, Trevose, Bucks County, Pennsylvania.

To General Fund.—North Philadelphia: East Allegheny Avenue, Circle, \$9.50; East Montgomery Avenue, \$6; Fortieth Street, \$2; Frankford, \$112; Somerton, \$15; Summerfield, \$53.75.

Total, \$198.25. NORTHWEST PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—Philadelphia: Germantown, First Church, \$54; St. Stephens, \$37.50; Grace, \$66; for children's paper, \$2; Park Avenue, \$54; Tabernacle, \$50.40; Trinity, \$17; C. W. Bickley, Total, \$351.65. Band, \$10 60; Tioga, \$30.15; Pottsville, \$30.

SOUTH PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—Chester: Madison Street, \$41; Trinity, \$8.60; Chester Heights, \$20; Philadelphia: Arch Street, \$56; Ebenezer, \$15; Wharton Street, \$23.20. Total, \$163.80.

West Philadelphia District.—Bryn Mawr: St. Luke's, \$9; Philadelphia: Christ Church, \$57; Fortieth Street, \$2; Green Street, \$36; Radnor, \$14; Spring Garden, \$88; for children's paper: Christ Church, \$1; Green Street, \$1; Spring Garden, \$5.

To Special General Fund.—For salary: Philadelphia, First Church, \$75; Germantown, First Church, \$25; special gift: Arch Street, \$8.25; Frankford, \$10; Siloam, Band, \$12; Spring Garden, \$10. Total, \$140.25. To Haven Home. - Germantown: First Church, \$100. Total, \$100.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Donations, \$27.50. Total, \$27.50.

Total to Special General Fund, . . . . . . . . \$267.75.

To Beneficiary Fund.—To Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Spring Garden, Total, \$60. \$10; donations, \$50.

To Navajoes.—Green Street, \$1.

To Simpson Home.—Arch Street, "Lady Huntingdon Band," for Cherry Townsend, \$40; Grace, Young Ladies' Band, \$40. Total, \$80.

To Special Fund.—To Haven Home.—Mrs. Palen, for repairs, \$50. Total, \$50.

To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Germantown: First Church, \$13.42.

Total, \$13.42. Total, \$2.80. Total, \$51.25.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Philadelphia. Grace, \$1.25.
To Ponca.—Arch Street. \$50.25; Grace, for horse, \$1.
Total, \$51.25.
To Rest Home.—Grace Church, \$6; Spring Garden, \$18.
To E. E. Goff Endowment.—Arch Street, \$10; Christ Church, \$39;
Ebenezer, \$10; Grace, \$5; Prospect Park, \$4; Summerfield, \$20; interest
Total, \$94.07.

To Immigrant Home, Philadelphia.—Arch Street, \$10; donations,

\$155.48. Total, \$165.48.

To Deaconess Home, Philadelphia.— Camden: Centenary, \$50; Chester To Deaconess Home, Pantaderpnia.— Camden: Centenary, \$50; Chester Heights, \$2.47; "Messiah" Band, \$5; Philadelphia: Arch Street, \$184.75; "Lady Huntingdon" Band, \$20; Young Ladies' Band, \$23; "Messiah" Band, \$10; Christ Church, \$9; East Allegheny Avenue, \$7; Band, \$2; Circle, \$3; First Church, \$12; Fortieth Street, \$11; Frankford, \$5.50; Germantown: First Church, \$5; St. Stephens, \$3.25; Grace, \$149.97; Young Ladies' Band, \$15; Green Street, \$15; Park Avenue, \$64.60; Prospect Park, \$31.62; St. John's, Circle, \$1.45; M. S. Boswell, Band, \$100; St. Luke's, \$5; Siloam, \$4; Band, \$17.50; Spring Garden Street, \$159.27; Somerset, \$9.18; Summerfield, \$2.25; Tabernacle, \$34.20; Tioga, \$1.50; Trinity, \$192.40; Twelfth, \$5; Wharton Street, \$5; South Chester, \$2.90; donations, \$958.73; donations, per deaconess, \$76.42. Total, \$2,203 96.

## Pittsburg Conference.

MISS A. R. INGRAM, Treasurer, 12 Sampson Street, Allegheny, Pennsylvania.

To General Fund.—ALLEGHENY DISTRICT.— Allegheny: Buena Vista Street, \$11; Calvary, \$21; Young Ladies, \$10; Linden Avenue, \$13.40; North Avenue, \$46.19; Circle, \$15; Union Church, \$8.40; Beaver, \$17; Bellevue, \$18; Butler, \$24; New Brighton, Circle, \$5; Sewickley, \$29; mitebox, \$4.33; Sharpsburg, \$15; Tarentum, \$16.50; Union, \$29.60; thank-offering, 82 cents; monthly collections, \$1.73; Valencia, Band, \$8.

Total, \$293.97. BLAIRSVILLE DISTRICT.—Blairsville, \$32; Indiana, \$19.50; Kittanning, \$18; Latrobe, \$25.16; Marion Center, \$15; New Florence, Band, \$1.

Total, \$110.66. Mckeesport District.-Mckeesport: Coursin Street, \$2.75; First Church, \$54.25; thank-offering, \$10.80; life members, \$40; Scottdale, \$18.22; Wakefield Chapel, \$18; West Newton, \$29.10. Total, \$203.23.

Church, \$54.25; thank-offering, \$10.80; life members, \$40; Scottdale, \$48.33; Wakefield Chapel, \$18; West Newton, \$29.10. Total, \$203.23.

PITTSBURG DISTRICT.—Crafton, \$17.70; Band, \$3; "Gleaners," life member, \$20; Pittsburg: Butler Street, \$60.50; Centenary, \$5.70; Christ Church, \$46.35; Emory, \$33.75; Young Ladies, \$12; mite-boxes, \$1.10; Oakland, \$30; Smithfield Street, \$47.50; "Gleaners," \$2.50; Verona, \$11; West End, \$19.50; Wilkinsburg, \$45.60; Band, \$2.25.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.—Washington: Jefferson Avenue and First Church Union Auxiliary, \$90; Mission League, \$3; district, through Mrs. Hazlett for Reading Circle hanner, \$25.

Hazlett, for Reading Circle banner, \$25. Total, \$118.

To Special General Fund.—To Navajoes, Interpreter: Emory, \$25; Oakland, \$5. Total, \$30.

Total to Special General Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . \$30.

To Beneficiary Fund.—To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Allegheny: Calvary, \$10; Linden Avenue, "Busy Bees," \$2.50; North Avenue, Circle, \$10; Pittsburg: Butler Street, \$50; Emory, \$25; Smithfield Street, \$10; "Gleaners," \$5; Scottdale, \$5; Washington: First Church and Jefferson Avenue, \$37; "Willing Workers," \$7; Mothers' Jewels, \$2; Young People's Mission League, \$14; Independence Camp-meeting, \$5; contributions of Rands and Circles \$5 Bands and Circles, \$5. Total, \$187.50.

To King Home.—Pittsburg: Smithfield Street, \$17; Scottdale, \$10. Total, \$27.

To Ritter Home.—Allegheny: North Avenue Mission Circle, \$10; Washington: Jefferson Avenue and First Church, for Laura Fisher, \$40. Total, \$50.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . . . . . . \$264.50.

To Special Fund.—To Indian Work, Fort Simcoe.—Allegheny: North Avenue Mission Circle, \$5; Pittsburg: Smithfield Street, \$10. Total, \$15. To Jesse Lee Home, Unataska.—Scottdale, for cow, \$5. Total, \$5. To King Home.—Butler: First Church, \$5; Pittsburg: Smithfield Street, \$20.

To Marcy Home.—Pittsburg: District \$5

Total, \$25.

To Marcy Home.—Pittsburg District, \$5.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Pittsburg: Emory, \$1.80; Sewickley, \$2.10;
Total, \$7.20;
Total, \$7.20;
Total, \$7.20;
Total, \$7.20;
Total, \$7.20;
Total, \$7.20;

Union, \$1.30; Washington: Jefferson Avenue, \$2.

To Deaconess Home, Pittsburg.—Allegheny: Arch Street, \$10; Calvary, \$70; Linden Avenue, \$46; North Avenue, \$33; Young Ladies, \$7; Union Church, \$21.75; Beaver, \$20; Bellevne, \$30; Butler, \$10; Circleville, \$1; Crafton, \$34.72; Emsworth, \$13.65; Greenburg, \$10; Kittanning, \$10; Latrobe, \$10; Mars, \$10; McKeesport, \$47.58; New Brighton, \$20; Pittsburg: Ames Church, Sunday-school, \$4; Butler Street, \$186.25; Centenary, \$16.43; Christ Church, \$294; Emory, \$48; Oakland, \$99 50; Smithfield Street, \$20; Pleasant Unity and Hecla, \$28.25; Rochester, \$5; Sewickley, \$6.50; Southwest, \$1.50; Uniontown, \$10; Verona, \$5.14; Washington: Jefferson Avenue, \$20; West Newton, \$10; Wilkinsburg, \$63.72; Washington District, \$25; other sources, \$13.50; Oil City, Mrs. Haskell, \$10; Craigsville, Rev. Bergen, \$10; services of deaconesses, \$42; cash, \$1.63.

Total, \$1,375.12.

Work in Coke Regions.—Bellevue, \$5.25; Pittsburg: Butler Street, \$10; Calvary, \$5; Centenary, \$8; Christ Church, \$10; various Churches, \$51.19.

Total, \$89.44.

# Puget Sound Conference.

MRS. IDA L. MASSEY, Treasurer, Fair Haven, Washington.

To General Fund.—CHEHALIS DISTRICT.—Bay Center, \$6.25; Castle Rock, \$1.50; Centralia, \$8.75; Chehalis, \$6; Fishers and Lacasmas, \$4.45; Gray's River, \$1.4.30; Steinson Church, \$1.25; Pe Ell, \$2.25; Toledo, \$6.45; Vancouver, \$1.50; Willapa: First Church, \$7.12; Winlock: First Church, \$5.75.

Total, \$65.57.

New Whatcom District.—Crescent Harbor, \$5; Everett, \$14.60; Fair Haven: First Church, \$2.05; Ferndale: First Church, \$1; Lynden, \$1.50; New Whatcom: First Church, \$19.10; Trinity, \$8.75; Snohomish, \$4.75.

Total, \$56.75.

SEATTLE DISTRICT.—Ballard, \$11.10; Gilman Park, \$4; Cosmopolis, \$10; Kent: First Church, \$4.25; Seattle: Battery Street, \$1.85; First Church, \$21.

Total, \$52.20.

TACOMA DISTRICT.—Aberdeen: First Church, \$6.25; Monteseno, \$4.75; Tacoma: Central, \$1.25; Epworth, \$7.60; St. Paul's, \$2.25.

Conference gatherings, \$20.90; other sources, \$3.50.

Total, \$24.40.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$221.02.

To Beneficiary Fund.—To Stickney Home.—Centralia, \$2; Everett, \$29.70; Gray's River, \$1.

To Special Fund.—To Mothers' Jewels Home.—New Whatcom: First Church, 70 cents.

To Stickney Home.—Bay Center, \$3.10; Everett: First Church, mite-

boxes, \$11.66. Total, \$14.76.

To Deaconess Home, Portland,—Bay Center, \$3.25; Chehalis, \$2; Everett, \$5; Snohomish, \$1; from mite-boxes: Bucoda, 38 cents; Chehalis, \$1.90; Total, \$14.53. Toledo, \$1.

### Rock River Conference.

MRS. MARY S. DYCHE, Treasurer, Evanston, Illinois.

To General Fund.—Chicago District.—Berwyn, \$10.60; Chicago: Auburn Park, \$6.75; Hyde Park, \$41; Oakland, \$48.70; South Park Avenue, Total, \$126.35. \$18.30; Mrs. Locke, \$1.

DIXON DISTRICT.—Dixon, \$11; Light Home, \$9; Mendota, \$4.75; Morrison, \$7.75; Princeton, \$30.75; Rock Falls, \$21.90; Sterling, \$10; Walnut, \$6; district, \$30.

FREEPORT DISTRICT.—Embury, \$10; Freeport: First Church, \$27.75;

JOLIET DISTRICT.—Aurora: First Church, \$20.75; Batavia, \$12; Joliet: Ottawa Street, \$35.65; Morris, \$18.

NORTH CHICAGO DISTRICT.—Chicago: Grace, \$55; Hemenway, \$28; Ravenswood, \$31.46; Western Avenue, \$29.25; Evanston, \$43; Emmanuel, \$35; First Church. \$49; Merrill, \$1; Oak Park, \$63; Rogers Park, \$23; Waukegan, \$5; Wheaton, \$23.50.

ROCKFORD DISTRICT.—Belviders For Chester Court.

ROCKFORD DISTRICT.—Belvidere, \$25; Charter Grove, \$12; Dundee, \$14.25; Elgin: First Church, \$20.75; Grace, \$37.29; Franklinville, \$4.75; Geneva, \$6; Genoa, \$6.75; Marengo, \$16; Monroe Center, \$3; Ney, \$14.20; Nunda, \$9.75; Richmond, \$2.75; Rockford, \$33; Union, \$54.50; Roscoe, \$11.50; Woodstock, \$13.50; district, \$3.

Total, \$287.99.

\$11.50; Woodstock, \$13.50; district, \$3.
From mite-boxes: Aurora, 75 cents; Elgin: Grace, \$13.46; Evanston, \$8.80; Oakland, \$11.92; South Park Avenue, \$8.22; Polo, \$3; Mrs. Locke, Total, \$47.12.

To Beneficiary Fund.—To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Kenwood, Evangelical Church, \$9.18; Young Ladies, \$15.82; Light Home, \$6; Morrison, \$5; Rock Falls, \$5; Sterling, \$2.

To King Home.—Rockford, Miss Emma Whipple, \$5. Total, \$43.

Total, \$5. To Thayer Home.—Evanston: First Church, \$40. Total, \$40.

To Special Fund.—To Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Bequest of Mrs.

Button, \$333. Total, \$333.

To Marcy Home.—Ashland Boulevard, \$12.50; Normal Park, \$6.50; Auburn Park, \$1.75; Berwyn, \$6.25; Hyde Park, \$48.55; Oakland, \$87; furnishing a room, \$32.75; South Park Avenue, \$109.78; Light Home Auxiliary, \$10; Mendota, \$10; Princeton, \$13.10; thank-offering, 15 cents; Evanston: First Church, \$1,225.08; Centenary, Ladies' Aid, \$15; Hemenway, \$43.55; Oak Park, \$62.50; Western Avenue, \$121.60; Paulina Street, \$7; Rockford, \$68.81; Belvidere, \$10; Chicago, \$18.75; Grace, \$34.57; St. James, \$5.05; Trinity, \$5; Lamoille, \$3.25; Mallison, \$5; Paw Paw, \$5; Walnut, \$5; Polo, \$1; Millbrook, \$1; Joliet: Ottawa Street, \$19.42; Plano, \$10; Emmanuel, \$92.25; Edgewater, \$1; Lake Bluff, \$10.26; Ravenswood,

\$38; Junior League, \$7; Wheadon, \$5.75; Blaine, \$5; Elgin: Grace, \$20; First Church, \$5; Genoa, \$2.06; Marengo, \$10; New Milford, \$5; Woodstock, \$5; Englewood, \$5; Wabash Avenue, \$5; Des Plaines, \$2.75; Campmeeting, \$21.32; Wesley, \$5; Winter Street, \$7; Epworth, 50 cents; Edison Park, \$5; Wheaton, \$10; Aurora, \$5; Highland Park, \$5; Harvard, \$5; Ney, \$11; bequest of Mrs. Button, \$1,000; Sea Breeze, Florida, \$5; sale of tickets, \$8.25; Mesdames Fawcet, \$25; Hill, \$5; Harvey, \$2; Drake, 30 cents; Swift, \$5; Miss Warfield, \$100; Conference, \$64.25. Total, \$3.661.30.  To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Oakland, \$4.30; Conference, \$8.50.  To Thayer Home.—Bequest of Mrs. Button, \$667.		
Total to Special Fund,		
Grand total, 5,899.70.		
St. Louis Conference.		
Mrs. E. J. Tuttle, Treasurer, 1209 East 17th Street, Kansas City, Mo.		
To General Fund.—Carthage District.—Carthage, \$18.		
FARMINGTON DISTRICT.—West Plains, \$13.  KANSAS CITY DISTRICT.—Arlington, through Mrs. Richard Snell, \$13.  KANSAS City: Dundee Place, \$15; Grand Avenue, \$125.  LEBANON DISTRICT.—Lebanon, \$13.  SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.—Springfield: Benton Avenue, \$12.  Collections, \$7: Conference gatherings, \$16; collection at anniversary camp-meeting, \$19.  Total, \$42.		
Total to General Fund		
To Special Fund.—To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Springfield: Benton Avenue, \$1.  Total, \$1.		
Total to Special Fund,		
Grand total,		
Local Work,		
South Compling Conference		
South Carolina Conference.		
MRS. F. M. PRIESTLY, Treasurer, Greenville, South Carolina.		
To General Fund.—BEAUFORT DISTRICT.—Aiken Station, \$1; Summerville Circuit, \$3. Total, \$4. CHARLESTON DISTRICT.—Old Bethel, \$1. Total, \$1. FLORENCE DISTRICT.—Harrisville, \$1; Maysville, \$1. Total, \$2. GREENVILLE DISTRICT.—Clio, 25 cts.; Greenville, \$9.50; Marietta, \$1. Total, \$10.75.		
SPARTANSBURG DISTRICT.—Clover, \$1. Total, \$1.		
Total to General Fund		
Southern California Conference.		
MRS I. M HUTTON Treasurer 1007 W 21st Street Los Augeles Cal		

MRS. I. M. HUTTON, Treasurer, 1007 W. 21st Street, Los Angeles, Cal.

To General Fund.—Fresno District.—Fresno, \$9; Reedley, \$5.75; Santa Barbara, \$30; Tulare, \$4; Waukena, \$7. Total, \$55.75. Los Angeles District.—Alliambra, \$8; Covina, \$6; Florence, \$4; Gardena, \$2.25; Huenema, \$5.50; Long Beach, \$28.50; Camp-meeting, \$1; Los Angeles: Asbury, \$13.50; Boyle Heights. \$13; Circle, \$11.50; Central, \$11.45; First Church, \$70; Band, \$16.25; Circle, \$5.25; Life member, \$20;

Grace, "Queen Esthers," \$1.70; Pico Heights, \$10; Simpson, \$32.50; "Queen Esthers, "\$8; University, \$34.50; Circle, \$12.67; Band, \$5.05; Union Avenue, \$11.75; Band, \$2.98; Vincent, \$13; Pasadena, \$64.75; Band, \$3.50; Pomona, \$23.50; Prospect Park, \$6.80; Saticoy and Montalvo, \$4; Ventura \$1.50;

Whittier, \$2.29.
SAN DIEGO DISTRICT.—Arlington Place, \$10; East Riverside, \$7.25; Band, Band, \$5.70; Elsinore, Band, \$3; Escondido, \$5.70; Fallbrook, \$1.25; Band, 96 cts; Circle, 60 cts.; Fullerton, "Queen Esthers," \$3; Band, \$2.25; Garden Grove, \$9.75; Band, \$21.45; Glendora, \$3.50; Hemit, \$9.75; Band, 50 cts.; Grove, \$9.75; Band, \$21.45; Glendora, \$3.50; Flemit, \$9.75; Band, \$0 cts.; Highlands, \$2.50; Lordsburg, \$11; Outario, \$24.50; Oneonta and Otay, \$3.72; Band, \$2; Orange, \$9; Perris, \$3.25; Band, \$3.50; Redlands, \$23; Riverside, \$25; Band, \$2; San Bernardino, \$22.10; Santa Ana, \$21.75; "Queen Esthers," \$6.50; Band, \$12; San Diego, \$16.85; Vista Bonita: Glendora Church, \$6.75; Band, 65 cts; Westminster, \$5.45; Band, \$1.71. Total, \$287.89.

Without special credits, \$162; from mite-boxes: Escondido, 45 cts.; Long Beach, \$2.17; Los Angeles: First Church, \$12.18; Simpson, \$3.60; University, \$3; Ontario, \$21; Reedley, \$2.05; Sauta Ana, \$3.25; Waukena, \$4.
Total, \$213.70.

To Special General Fund.—To Harwood Home.—Los Angeles: First Church, Mrs. DePauw, \$480.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Los Angeles: First Church,

for Mrs. Shatto, \$10; Mrs. Marble, \$5; Mrs. Pomeroy, \$2; Mrs. Leyden, \$2.25. Total, \$19.25.

Total to Special General Fund, . . . . . . . . \$499.25.

To Beneficiary Fund.—To Albuquerque.—Alhambra, \$1; Los Angeles: Boyle Heights, "Queen Esthers," \$25; University, \$3; Vincent Church, \$2; Long Beach, \$1; Florence, \$1; Pasadena, \$2; Riverside, \$1; Santa Monica, \$1; Los Angeles District, \$5. Total, \$42. To Harwood Home.—Long Beach, \$1; Los Angeles: First Church, \$1;

pson, \$7. To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Los Angeles: University, \$50, Total, \$50. Simpson, \$7.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$101.

To Special Fund.—To Albuquerque.—For Building—Los Angeles: First Clurch, \$1.55; Mrs. DePauw, \$80; Boyle Heights, \$11; Central, 25cts.; Garden Grove, \$5.20; Ontario, \$18; Santa Ana, "Queen Esthers," \$5; Red-Total, \$136: lands, \$15

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Fullerton, 25 cts.; Los Angeles: Asbury, \$30; Central, \$2.20; First Church, 60 cts. Total, \$3.35.

To Frontier Work.—Los Angeles: First Church, \$29; Union Auxil-

iary, \$8; Pasadena, \$18. Total, \$55.

To Chinese Work.—Beaumont and Banning, \$7; Burbank, \$5; Creston, \$3; Escondido, 10 cts.; Fairview, Band, \$10; Fallbrook, \$1.25; Florence, \$4.90. Fullerton, "Queen Esthers," \$1.50; Glendora, \$13; Highlands, \$13; Long Beach, \$9; Lordsburg, \$11.51; Los Angeles: Asbury, \$2.50; Boyle Heights, "Queen Esthers," \$25; Central Avenue, \$12.92; First Church, \$10; Pico Heights, \$14.25; Simpson, 25 cts.; "Queen Esthers," \$22; University, \$120; "Queen Esthers," \$67.10; Vincent Church, \$3.50; Murietta, Band, \$1.50; Oceanside, \$1; Ontario, \$3; Pasadena, \$103; Redlands, \$27.05; Riverside, \$5; San Bernardino, \$4; San Diego: First Church, \$47.67; Santa Ana,

\$13.80; Sauta Paula, \$2; Sespe, \$2; Tulare, \$11.25; Ventra, \$2.70; Whittier, \$12.  Total, \$592.75.
To Deaconess Home, San Francisco.—Los Angeles: Central, \$2; University, \$8.25.  Total, \$10.25.
Total to Special Fund,
Local Work,
Southern Illinois Conference.
Mrs. J. D. Crenshaw, Treasurer, Wahanda, Ill.
To General Fund.—Lebanou, \$2.10; without special credits, \$24.
Total, \$26.10  Total to General Fund, \$26.10.
South Kansas Conference.
MRS. M. V. ROBBINS, Treasurer, Baldwin, Kansas.
To General Fund.—EMPORIA DISTRICT.—Emporia: First Church, \$18.75; mite-boxes, \$5.78; donations, \$4.11.  FORT SCOTT DISTRICT.—Fort Scott, \$10.  INDEPENDENCE DISTRICT.—Chetopa, \$18.35.  OTTAWA DISTRICT.—Baldwin, \$11.98.—Garnett, \$12.30; Conference Society, \$1.
Total to General Fund,
Local Work,
Southwest Kansas Conference.
Southwest Kansas Conference.  Mrs. J. W. Kirkwood, Treasurer, 325 N. Lawrence, Avenue, Wichita, Kas.
MRS. J. W. KIRKWOOD, Treasurer, 325 N. Lawrence, Avenue, Wichita, Kas.  To General Fund.—Garden City District—Dodge City, \$4.
MRS. J. W. KIRKWOOD, Treasurer, 325 N. Lawrence, Avenue, Wichita, Kas.  To General Fund.—Garden City District—Dodge City, \$4.  Total, \$4.  McPherson District.—Marion, \$9.50; Pleasant View, \$11.25.
MRS. J. W. KIRKWOOD, Treasurer, 325 N. Lawrence, Avenue, Wichita, Kas.  To General Fund.—Garden City District—Dodge City, \$4.  Total, \$4.
MRS. J. W. KIRKWOOD, Treasurer, 325 N. Lawrence, Avenue, Wichita, Kas.  To General Fund.—Garden City District—Dodge City, \$4.  Total, \$4.  MCPHERSON DISTRICT.—Marion, \$9.50; Pleasant View, \$11.25.  Total, \$20.75.  Newton District.—Hutchinson, \$24.75; Mitchell Chapel, \$17.50; Band, \$1.30; Newton, \$30; Sedgwick, \$14.  Total, \$87.55.  WICHITA DISTRICT.—Seltzer, \$9.50; Wichita: Dodge Avenue, \$15.50; Emporia Avenue, \$7.75; First Church, \$52.55.  Total, \$85.30.  WINFIELD DISTRICT.—Arkansas City, \$20.20; Wellington: First Church, \$8.50; Winfield, \$9.75.  To make life members: Arkansas City, \$20; Hutchinson, \$40; Marion, \$5; Mitchell Chapel, \$5; Newton, \$20; Sedgwick, \$20; Wichita: Dodge Avenue, \$16; First Church, \$30.  Paid frontier preachers, \$26.45.
MRS. J. W. KIRKWOOD, Treasurer, 325 N. Lawrence, Avenue, Wichita, Kas.  To General Fund.—Garden City District—Dodge City, \$4.  Total, \$4.  McPherson District.—Marion, \$9.50; Pleasant View, \$11.25.  Total, \$20.75.  Newton District.—Hutchinson, \$24.75; Mitchell Chapel, \$17.50; Band, \$1.30; Newton, \$30; Sedgwick, \$14.  Total, \$87.55.  Wichita District.—Seltzer, \$9.50; Wichita: Dodge Avenue, \$15.50; Emporia Avenue, \$7.75; First Church, \$52.55.  Winfield District.—Arkansas City, \$20.20; Wellington: First Church, \$5.50; Winfield, \$9.75.  To make life members: Arkansas City, \$20; Hutchinson, \$40; Marion, \$5; Mitchell Chapel, \$5; Newton, \$20; Sedgwick, \$20; Wichita: Dodge Avenue, \$16; First Church, \$30.  Fotal, \$150.
MRS. J. W. KIRKWOOD, Treasurer, 325 N. Lawrence, Avenue, Wichita, Kas.  To General Fund.—Garden City District—Dodge City, \$4.  Total, \$4.  McPherson District.—Marion, \$9.50; Pleasant View, \$11.25.  Total, \$20.75.  Newton District.—Hutchinson, \$24.75; Mitchell Chapel, \$17.50; Band, \$1.30; Newton, \$30; Sedgwick, \$14.  Wichita District.—Seltzer, \$9.50; Wichita: Dodge Avenue, \$15.50; Emporia Avenue, \$7.75; First Church, \$52.55.  Winfield District.—Arkansas City, \$20.20; Wellington: First Church, \$5.50; Winfield, \$9.75.  To make life members: Arkansas City, \$20; Hutchinson, \$40; Marion, \$5: Mitchell Chapel, \$5; Newton, \$20; Sedgwick, \$20; Wichita: Dodge Avenue, \$16; First Church, \$30.  Paid frontier preachers, \$26.45.  Total General Fund, \$120.  To Beneficiary Fund.—To Ritter Home.—Winfield, \$20.  Total, \$20.

### Tennessee Conference.

MISS ABBY BARRY, Treasurer, Central Tennessee College, Nashville, Tenn.

To General Fund.—Nashville: Thompson Chapel, \$27.53; Conference Total, \$31.23. gatherings, \$3.70.

### Texas Conference.

MRS. J. B. Scott, Treasurer, Marshall, Texas.

To General Fund.-Houston District.-Houston: Trinity, \$10; Total, \$25.55. Band, \$1.50; without special credits, \$14.05. Total to General Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$25.55.

To Special General Fund.—Marshall, \$10.05. Total, \$10.05. Total to Special General Fund, . . . . . . . . . . \$10.05. 

### Troy Conference.

MISS HELENA IDE, Treasurer, 586 Fourth Avenue, Lansingburg, N. Y.

To General Fund.—ALBANY DISTRICT.—Albany: Ash Grove, \$28; First Church, \$36; Grace, \$26; St. Luke's, \$24; Trinity, \$27.50; Green Bush, \$50; Rotterdam, \$4; Schenectady: Seward Street, \$2.50; State Street, Total, \$213.25.

BURLINGTON DISTRICT.—Bennington, \$15; Burlington, \$75, \$25; Rutland, \$30; Middleburg, \$9; Pittsford, \$6; Circle, \$5; Poultney, \$25; Rutland, \$21.75; Vergennes, \$6; Wells, \$1.77; Band, \$2.40; Circle, \$1.70.

Total, \$193.62.

PLATTSBURG DISTRICT.—Fort Edward, \$17.01; Circle, \$3; Glens Falls, \$37; Keysville, \$11; Moriah, \$5; Plattsburg, \$69.66; Saranac, \$4.30; South Glens Falls, \$10; West Port, \$20.

Total, \$176.07.

SARATOGA DISTRICT.—Cohoes: Remson Street, \$42.50; Crescent, \$1; SARATOGA DISTRICT.—Conoes: Remson Street, \$42.50; Crescent, \$1; Gloversville: First Church, \$74; Fremont Street, \$56; North Main Street, \$14; Greenwich, \$44; Johnstown, Men's Auxiliary, \$34.50; Jonesville, \$31; Young ladies, \$6; Mechanicsville, \$30; Round Lake, \$40.25; Saratoga, \$54.90; Stillwater, \$8; Willow Glen, \$4.50.

Troy District.—Dalton, \$15.50; Hoosic Falls, \$11.75; Lansingburg: First Church, \$42; Hedding, \$27; Band, \$3.25; North Adams, \$24; North Nassau, \$8; Pittsfield, \$31: Troy: Fifth Avenue, \$50; Grace, \$4; State Street, \$32; Valley Falls, \$17.50.

Children's Paper, Conference, \$25.

Total, \$25.

Children's Paper, Conference, \$25. Total to General Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$1,315.49.

To Special General Fund. - For Miss Tripp: Clifton Park, \$20; for Miss Snow, Gloversville: First Church, \$10; Conference, \$20. Total, \$50. For Debt.—Albany: St. Luke's, \$5; Cambridge, \$5.45; Greenwich, \$2: Gloversville: First Church, \$10; Lansingburg: First Church, \$5; Troy: State Street, \$5.

Total to Special General Fund, . . . . . . . . . \$82.45.

10 Beneficiary Fund.—To Dulce.—Greenbush, for Helen, \$20.

Total, \$20. To Haven Home.—Valley Falls, \$25. Total, \$25. To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Poultney, \$5. Total, \$5.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Albany: Ash Grove, \$5; Glens Falls, \$100; Round Lake, \$15.  To New Jersey Home.—Granville, \$16; Gloversville: Fremont Street, \$48; Johnstown, Men's Auxiliary, \$10; for Willie Mitchell, \$15; Lansing-burg: Hedding, \$6; Mechanicsville, \$5.  To Ritter Home.—Bennington, \$3; Burlington, \$20; Granville, \$6.03; Lansingburg: First Church, \$50; Pittsford, \$2; Poultney, \$7; Raceville, \$3; Rutland, \$7.  To Watts de Peyster Home.—Greenbush, \$5; Green Island, \$5; Lansingburg: First Church, \$5; Troy: State Street, \$5; Conference, \$25.  To Deaconess Home, Washington.—Conference, \$80.
Total to Beneficiary Fund, \$493.03.
To Special Fund.—To Albuquerque.—Gloversville: First Church, Memorial, for Mrs. Emily Welch, \$50; Conference, to name a room, \$20.  Total, \$70.  To Dulce.—Albany: Ash Grove, \$5; Lansingburg: Hedding, \$4; Middleburg, \$1.08; Troy: Fifth Avenue, \$25; to name room: Greenbush, \$35; Troy Conference, \$20.  Total, \$90.08.  To Frontier Work.—Glens Falls, \$5; Granville, \$5; Lansingburg, \$10.
Total, \$20.  To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Glens Falls, \$52; Keysville, \$5; Lansingburg: Hedding, \$10; Troy: Fifth Avenue, \$10.  To Kent Home.—Gloversville: North Main Street, \$2.12; Troy: Fifth Avenue, \$10.  To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Lansingburg: Hedding, \$1.40; Palatine Bridge, \$2; West Port, 70 cts.  To Navajo.—Albany: Ash Grove, \$25; Grace Church, \$5; St. Luke's, \$5; Greenbush, \$10; Lansingburg: First Church, \$5; Mechanicsville, \$1; Poultney, \$15; T. C. A., \$6; Troy: Fifth Avenue, \$39.23; Weybridge, \$2; for Interpreter: Albany: Ash Grove, \$5; Grace Church, \$15; St. Luke's, \$15; Gloversville: First Church, \$30; Poultney, \$4; Round Lake, \$14; Conference, \$30.  To New Jersey Home.—Lansingburg: Hedding, \$6.  To Rest Home, Ocean Grove.—Gloversville: First Church, \$6.
Total, \$6.  To Stickney Home.—Albany: First Church, Mrs. Stickney, \$50; Trinity, \$50.  To Immigrant Home, New York.—Greenwich, \$10; Lansingburg: First Church, \$10; Troy: Fifth Avenue, \$5; West Troy: First Avenue, \$5; Conference, \$25.
Total to Special Fund,

# Upper Iowa Conference.

MRS. R. B. VAN NESS, Treasurer, Marion, Iowa.

To General Fund.—CEDAR FALLS DISTRICT.—Allison, \$2.25; Cedar Falls, \$45; Clarksville, \$15.50; Greene, \$17.50; Janesville, \$10.75; La Porte City, \$19.50; Nashua, \$2.75; Raymond, \$27.85; Rockford, \$7; Shell Rock, \$16.50; Waterloo: First Church, \$38.50; Grace, \$15.50; Waverly, \$19.15.

Total, \$237.75.

CEDAR RAPIDS DISTRICT.—Amber, \$3; Anamosa, \$38.50; Cedar Rapids,

\$93.25; Iowa City, \$65.03; Marion, \$37.50; Mechanicsville, \$25.95; Mount

Vernon, \$68.25: Prairie Chapel, \$13.50: Simpson Chapel, \$13.75; Springville, \$13.25: Tipton, \$28.50: Traer, \$10.75: Vinton, \$12: Wesley Chapel, \$3.75.
DAVENPORT DISTRICT.—Center Junction, \$18.50; Clinton, \$40.75; Daven-Total, \$426.98.

port: First Church, \$47; Fourteenth Street, \$6; De Witt, \$15.67; Maquoketa, \$16; McCausland, \$9; Vernon Prairie, \$10.50; Wyoming, \$22.25.
Total, \$185.67.

DECORAH DISTRICT.—Charles City, \$34.70; Elkader, \$7.45.
Total, \$42.15.

DUBUQUE DISTRICT.—Dubuque, \$101; Edgewood, \$8; Epworth, \$23; BUREQUE DISTRICT.—Dubuque, \$161; Edgewood, \$5; Epworth, \$23; Fairbank, \$8.70; Farley, \$8.50; Fayette, \$34.75; Greeley, \$8.10; Hopkinton \$14; Independence, \$18.75; Johns Creek, \$14; Lamont, \$10.50; Manchester, \$73.75; Prairie Center, \$8.25; Winthrop, \$14.25.

MARSHALLTOWN DISTRICT.—Belle Plaine, \$30.04; Blairstown, \$16.10; Hampton, \$28; Haven, \$13.50; Marshalltown, \$3.25; Mason City, \$31.25;

Sheffield, \$4.60: State Center, \$8.50. Total, \$135.24.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$1,373.34.

To Special General Fund. - For Miss Jackman. - Anamosa, \$33.06; Belle Plaine, \$9.87; Blairstown, \$5; Cedar Rapids, \$15.70; Cedar Falls, \$18; Belle Plaine, \$9.87; Blairstown, \$5; Cedar Rapids, \$15,70; Cedar Falls, \$18; Center Junction, \$5; Charles City, \$3.20; Clinton, \$10; Davenport: First Church. \$30; Fourteenth Street, \$5; De Witt, \$5.50; Dubuque, \$93.84; Edgewood, \$1.50; Greene. \$10; Hopkinton, \$6.80; Independence, \$12; Iowa City, \$39.61; Johns Creek, \$17.25; Lamont, \$2.35; La Porte. \$13.40; Manchester, \$15.05; Maquoketa, \$10; Marion, \$2.04; Mount Vernon, \$8.60; Prairie Center, \$5.50; Raymond, \$7.50; Rockford, \$29.05; Shell Rock, \$13.30; Tipton, \$3.22; Traer, 65 cts.; Vernon Prairie, \$10; Waterloo: First Church, \$10; Grace, \$11.08; Waverly, \$14.06; Winthrop, \$2; Wyoming, \$13.80; various charges, \$23.23. \$13.80; various charges, \$23.23. Total, \$516.16.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Clarksville, \$2; Davenport: Fourteenth Total, \$516.16.

Street. \$1.50; Dubuque, \$15.20; Edgewood, 50 cts.; Epworth, \$10; Fayette, \$18.60; Manchester, \$22; Marion, \$2.40; Mount Vernon, \$16.40; Maquoketa, \$10; Springville, \$4.05; Vernon Prairie, special gift, \$12.84. Total, \$115.49.

To Beneficiary Fund.—To Bennett Home.—For Roxie Swindle: Total. \$31.70. Cedar Rapids, \$31.70. To Alaska.—Clinton, \$2.50; Davenport: First Church, \$30.80.

Total, \$33.30.

To Special Fund.—To Albuquerque.—Hopkinton, for building, 60 cts. Total, 60 cts.

To Asheville.—Davenport: Fourteenth Street, 70 cts.; Dubuque, \$12.15; Mount Vernon, \$2; Maquoketa, \$3.57; Manchester, \$4.12.

Total, \$22.54. To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Anamosa, to make Mrs. A. M. Barker life member, \$20; Davenport: First Church, \$13; Iowa City, \$40.69; Johns Creek, \$17; Wyoming, \$5.63.

Total, \$96.32.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Home.-Waterloo: First Church, \$10; Memorial Fund: Anamosa, \$4.20; Iowa City, \$1.

To Marcy Home.—Tipton, \$4. Total, \$15.20. Total, \$4.

To Marcy Home.—Inpton, \$4.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Independence, \$3; Iowa City, \$4.90; LaTotal, \$9.40. mont, \$1.50. To Deaconess Fund, Home not given.—Clinton, \$3; Hopkinton, \$1.50.

> Total, \$4.50.

## Vermont Conference.

MRS. O. D. CLAPP, Treasurer, Windsor, Vermout.

To General Fund.—Montpelier District.—Ascutneyville, \$7.50; Bellows Falls, \$7; Bradford, \$9.50; Claremont Junction, camp-nieeting, \$4; Hartland, \$1.50; Montpelier, \$25; Northfield, \$10; Randolph, \$1; Union Village, \$2; White River Junction, \$3.50; Windsor, \$5; Woodstock, \$3; Mrs. H. F.

Forrest, \$1.
St. Albans District.—Enosburg Falls, \$12.50; Fairfax, \$4; Franklin, \$3; Moretown, \$1; Richford, \$10.65; St. Albans, \$21.25; Waitsfield, \$2.

Total, \$53.40

St. Johnsbury District.—Barre, \$15; Cabot, \$12; Groton, \$7.75; Hollaud, \$3; Irasburg Circle, \$1; Plainfield, \$7.25; Richford, \$1.25; St. Johnsbury, \$34; St. Johnsbury Center, \$2; West Burke, \$10; Circle, 5 cts.; Williamstown, \$13.75: Conference gatherings, \$2. Total, \$109.05

From mite-boxes: Ascutneyville, \$2; Montpelier, \$3.11; Plainfield, Total, \$8.31. \$2.20; St. Albans, \$1.

Donations to Children's Paper: Ascutneyville, 75 cts.; Bradford, \$1; Bellows Falls, \$1; Enosburg Falls, \$1; Groton, 50 cts.; Northfield, 50 cts.; Plainfield, \$1; Richford, 50 cts.; Williamstown, \$1; St. Albans, 50 cts.; Mrs. H. F. Forrest, 50 cts.; Conference contingent fund, \$4.

Total, \$12.25.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$264.01.

To Special General Fund.—St. Johnsbury, \$25. Total, \$25. Total to Special General Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . \$25.

To Beneficiary Fund.—To Boylan Home.—For Annie Joyner, Irasburg, \$7; West Burke, \$3.

To Jesse Lee Home.—For Eva Fuller: Brattleboro, Junior League, \$5; Claremont Junction, camp-meeting, \$2.09; Fairfax, \$1; Franklin Circle, 50 cts; Groton, \$4; Circle, \$7; Hardwick, Junior League mite-boxes, \$5; Northfield, \$6.35; Conference contingent fund, \$2.50.

Total, \$33.44.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—St. Albans \$2.

Total, \$2.

To Stickney Home. - For Hannah Thomas: Brattleboro, Junior League, \$5; Cabot, \$2.80; Enosburg Falls, \$1; Hardwick, Junior League, mite-boxes, \$5; Plainfield, \$4.85; St. Johnsbury Center, \$1; Williamstown, \$1.30;

Total, \$23.45. 

Conference Contingent Fund, \$2.50.

To Special Fund.—To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Bradford, 20 cts.; East Burke, mite-boxes, \$5:30; Enosburg Falls, 20 cts.; Irasburg, \$1; mite-boxes, \$1; Moretown, 30 cts.; Northfield camp-meeting, 80 cts.; Plainfield, 50 cts.; Randolph, 20 cts.; St. Albans, 10 cts.; Waitsfield, \$1.10; Williams-

town, unite-boxes, \$1.

To Immigrants' Home, East Boston.—Enosburg Falls, \$1. Total, \$1.

To Deaconess Work, Vermont.—Bradford, \$3.05; St. Johnsburg, \$5. Total, \$\$.05.

> Local Work, . . .

## West Nebraska Conference.

MRS. G. F. Cook, Treasurer, 1719 Avenue B, Kearney, Nebraska.

To General Fund.—KEARNEY DISTRICT.—Kearney, \$23.55; Loup City, \$15.25; Sumner, \$4.25; Kearney District, \$5.75; Conference, \$28; Conference gatherings \$2. Total, \$78.80.

To Special Fund.—To Mothers' Jewels Home, Hospital Fund.— Kearney, \$1. Total, \$1.		
Total to Special Fund,		
West Texas Conference.		
Mrs. E. S. Spriggs, Treasurer, San Antonio, Texas.		
To General Fund.—Austin District.—Austin: Wesley Chapel, \$9.25; Belton, \$6.50; Georgetown, \$3; Lettig, \$2; Luling, \$1.10; Manor, \$2; Mion Hill, \$2; Reed's Valley, \$1.15; Richardson Chapel, \$3; mite-boxes, through Mrs. Spriggs, \$2.50.  COLUMBUS DISTRICT.—Alleytown, \$2; Flatonia, \$4.50; Hallettsville, \$4.60; LaGrange, \$4.05; Oakland, \$4.05; Sweet Home, \$1; Victoria, \$1.40; Yoakum, \$1.05.  DALLAS DISTRICT.—Calvert, 30 cts.; Dallas, \$2; Dennison, \$1.  Total, \$3.30.		
SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT.—Beeville, 50 cts.; Cuero, \$3.70; Fanin, \$1.50; Fredericksburg, \$1.50; Goliad, \$1.50; San Antonio, \$5.20; Seguin, \$1.  Total, \$14.90.		
WACO DISTRICT.—Waco, through Miss Etta Hoisington, \$2.50. Total, \$2.50.		
Total to General Fund		
West Virginia Conference.		
MISS FLORENCE LOWTHER, Treasurer, Sistersville, West Va.		
To General Fund.—Parkersburg District.—Sistersville, \$10.50. Total, \$10.50.		
Total to General Fund,		
West Wisconsin Conference.		
Mrs. H. W. Troy, Treasurer, Platteville, Wisconsin.		
To General Fund.—Ashland District—Barron, \$9,75. Total, \$9.75. EAU CLAIRE DISTRICT.—Augusta, \$12; Bay City, \$8; Durand, \$5.50; Eau Claire, \$21; Lake Street, \$5; Eau Galle, \$14.75; Hammond, \$5.25; Hudson, \$14.75; mite-boxes, \$4.48; life member, \$5. Total, \$95.73. LA CROSSE DISTRICT.—Baraboo, \$30.15. Total, \$95.73. MADISON DISTRICT—Excelsior, \$1; Madison, \$21.50; Prairie du Sac, \$3; Verona, \$8.25. Total, \$33.75. PLATTEVILLE DISTRICT.—Dodgeville, \$6; Fennimore, \$8.75; Platteville, \$41; friends, \$2. Total, \$57.75. Total to General Fund, \$227.13.		
To Special General Fund.—Fennimore, \$1.69. Total, \$1.69. Total to Special General Fund, \$1.69.		
To Beneficiary Fund.—To Jesse Lee Home, Unataska.—Augusta, \$2; Baraboo, \$15; Eau Claire: Lake Street, \$5; Hudson. \$10; Madison, \$5.  Total, \$37.  To King Home.—Platteville, \$40.  To Ritter Home.—Platteville, for Sallie Willingham, \$20.  Total, \$20.  To Simpson Home.—Platteville, for Grace Kennedy, \$15, Total, \$15.  Total to Beneficiary Fund, \$112		

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To Special Fund.—To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Eau Claire, \$10; Hammond, \$6.80.  To Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Platteville, \$6.  To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Argyle, \$6.20.  Total to Special Fund, \$29.00.  Grand total,
Wilmington Conference.
Mrs. E. J. Robinson, Treasurer, 905 West Street, Wilmington, Delaware.
To General Fund.—Easton District.—Middletown, \$36. Total, \$36. Salisbury District.—Salisbury, \$35.50; Snow Hill, \$8.25. Total, \$43.75.
WILMINGTON DISTRICT.—Bethel, Mrs. J. B. Quigg, \$2; Elkton, \$18.75; Newark, \$25.25; Band, \$1.25; New Castle, \$33.95; Daughters' Band, \$5; Port Deposit, \$12.75; Rising Sun, Circle, \$25; Scott, \$56.50; Circle, \$6.25; Band, \$5.63; Union, \$12.85; Circle, \$1.24; Mite-boxes, \$1.61; Wilmington: Asbury, \$40.50; Epworth, \$26; Circle, \$1; Girls' Band, \$1.14; Boys' Band, \$2; Grace, \$102; Band, \$9.35; Boys' Missionary League, \$5; St. Paul's, \$62; Silver Brook, \$5.35; Union Auxiliary, \$46.75; "Busy Bee" Band, \$5.25; Circle, 61 cts.; District, \$16.80.  Total, \$531.78.  Conference gatherings for Italian work, New Orleans, \$49. Total, \$49.
Total to General Fund, \$660.53.
To Special General Fund.—To Miss Page's Salary.—From miteboxes: New Castle, \$3.93; Daughters' Band, \$7; Port Deposit, \$5.71; Scott, \$3.07; Wilmington: Asbury, \$11.03; Epworth, \$3.78; Grace, \$8.92; Junior Band, \$4.95; Harrison Street, \$1; St. Paul's, \$8.52; Union, \$7.68.  Total, \$65.59.
Total to Special General Fund, \$65.59
To Beneficiary Fund.—To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Wilmington: Epworth, \$5; Grace, Band, \$50; St. Paul's, "Busy Bee" Band, \$5.  Total, \$60.  To Ritter Home.—Salisbury, for Ollie George, \$40.  To Stickney Home.—Conference collection, to make Mrs. W. L. S.
Murray life member, \$20. Total, \$20.
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To Special Fund.—To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Elkton, furnishing room, \$5.50.  To Mothers' Jewels Home.—New Castle, \$2.50; Salisbury, 70 cts.; Scott, \$5.80; Wilmington: Asbury, 90 cts.; Epworth, \$1; Grace, \$5.10; St. Paul's, \$3.80, Union, \$3.10.  To Ponca, for horse.—Port Deposit, \$1.  To Deaconess Work, Wilmington.—Kingswood, \$1.50; Newark, Young Ladies' Circle, \$25; New Castle, \$4; Scott, \$15; Wilmington: Asbury, \$20; Grace, \$25; Epworth League, \$5; Mrs. J. T. Gause, \$50; Boys' League, \$10; Junior Band, \$5; Union, \$10.  Total, \$170.50.
Total to Special Fund,
Local Work,
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### Wisconsin Conference.

MRS. G. F. REYNOLDS, Treasurer, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.

To General Fund.—Appleton District.—Appleton, \$72.25.

Total, \$72.25.

FOND DU LAC DISTRICT.—Fond du Lac: Cotton Street, \$7.25; Circle, \$3; Band, \$2.50; thank offering, \$3; Division Street, \$7.80; thank offering, \$5.35; Randolph, \$1; Sheboygan, \$2.75; Waupun, \$17.25; Epworth League Total, \$52.90. Total, \$2.60. Circle, \$1; West Bend, \$2.

JANESVILLE DISTRICT.—Conference members, \$2.60. MILWAUKEE DISTRICT.-Milwaukee: Trinity, \$13: Washington Avenue, \$39; mite-boxes, \$4.78; Racine, \$16.50. Total, \$73.28. OSHKOSH DISTRICT.—Oshkosh: Algona Street, \$17; thank offering, \$5;

First Church, \$34; Ripon, \$1. Total, \$57.

## Wyoming Conference.

Mrs. Fred. H. Haskins, Treasurer, 121 Murray Street, Binghamton, N. Y.

To General Fund.—BINGHAMTON DISTRICT.—Binghamton: Centenary, \$79; Chenango Street, \$18.50; High Street, \$18.25; Tabernacle, \$77; Total, \$210.75. Susquehanna, \$18.

quenanna, \$10. CHENANGO DISTRICT.—Mount Upton, \$9; Norwich, \$11.25; mite-boxes, 10; Oxford, \$9.75.

Total, \$43.10. \$13.10; Oxford, \$9.75.

Honesdale District.—Carbondale, \$37; Dunmore, \$19.25; Band, \$3.50; Hawley, \$17.94; mite boxes, \$9.06; Jermyn, \$30.75. Total, \$117.50. Oneonta District.—Milford, \$11.50; Rockdale, \$3; Sidney, \$6.

OWEGO DISTRICT.—Newark Valley, \$25; Owego, \$16.25; Waverley, Total, \$77.15. N. Y., \$35.90.

WYOMING DISTRICT.—Kingston, \$38; Nanticoke, \$17; Scranton: Elm Park, \$69.20; Providence, \$11.50; Simpson, \$66.85; Tunkhannock, \$12; West Pittston, \$31.50; Wilkesbarre: Central, \$44.50; First Church, \$43; Band, \$3; Circle, \$2.15. Total, \$338.70.

To Special General Fund.—Binghamton: Tabernacle, \$15; Milford, 25 cts.; Scranton: Providence, \$1.25; special gift: Jermyn, \$5; Scranton: Simpson, \$1; West Pittston, \$5; Mrs. P. Z. Bennett, for traveling expenses Total, \$277.50. of Miss Rinch, \$250.

Total to Special General Fund, . . . . . . . \$277.50.

To Beneficiary Fund.—To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.—Binghamton: Centenary, \$15; Tabernacle, \$65; Choconut Center, \$10; Scranton: Elm Park, \$2; West Pittston, \$10. Total, \$102. To King Home. - Binghamton: Centenary, \$20. Total, \$20.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, . . .

To Special Fund.—To Asheville.—Binghamton: Centenary, \$10; Scranton: Simpson, \$5.50; West Pittston, \$5; Wilbesbarre: First Church, Total, \$100.50.

To Bennett Home.—Binghamton: Centenary, \$12; Scranton: Elm Park, \$65.60; West Pittston, \$5; Wilkesbarre: First Church, Circle, \$17.85. Total, \$100.45.

To Italian Work, New Orleans.—Wilkesbarre: First Church, Band, \$5. Total, \$5.

To Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska.-Mrs. P. Z. Bennett, through Mrs. Beiler, \$500. Total, \$500.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Home and Training-school.—Avoca, \$1; Binghamton: Centenary, \$40; Chenango Street, 30 cts.; Brooklyn, Pa., \$6; Canaan, \$1; Hartwick, \$6; Hornbrook, \$2; Newton, \$1; Scranton: Elm Park, \$7.40; Simpson, \$25; Sidney Center, \$1; Susquehanna, \$1; Taylorville, \$1; Vestal, \$1; Wilkesbarre: Central, \$28; Derr Memorial, \$2; Sale of reports: Kingston, 70 cts.; Scranton, \$1.55; Binghamton District, \$1.20; Owego District, \$1. Total, \$128.15.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Binghamton: Centenary, \$5; Tabernacle,

\$6; Scranton: Elm Park, \$3.40; Simpson, \$11.30; Wilkesbarre: Central, \$2.

Total, \$2.70.

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Total. \$13.21.
To Immigrant Home, New York.—Kingston, to make Mrs. M. G. Dean and Miss Fannie Miller life members, \$40. Total, \$40.

### Other Sources.

To General Fund.—Advertisements in Annual Report, \$18; rent from Pawhuska, \$88; tuition, \$84.50; South Hadley, Mass., Louisa McClure, \$1; Waco, Texas, \$2.50; Armiger, Mrs. H. R. Savage, \$1.30; Browning Home, tuition money, \$680.16; Corinne, Utah, \$3.75; New Orleans: St. Charles Avenue, \$8.50; Italian Mission Auxiliary, \$5; Salt Lake City: First Church, \$8.50; Iliff Church, \$3.50; Bridgeport, Conn., mite-boxes, \$8; Red Wing, Minn., \$7: Baptist Mission Rooms, New York, \$1.10; Plainville, Conn., Camp-meeting, \$12; Mrs. Anna Beiler, \$2; a friend, \$30; Mrs. Ampt, sale of mite-boxes, \$12.15; Mrs. M. J. Kern, 25 cts.; Miss M. W. Wells, excess of expenses, \$40; Philadelphia: Brainbridge Street, Exposition expense, \$5; Conferences: Blue Ridge, \$1: Mississippi \$8: Savannah, \$41.50; Wyom-Conferences: Blue Ridge, \$1; Mississippi, \$18; Savannah, \$44.50; Wyoning Mission, \$1; Gulf Mission, \$1; Arkansas, \$31; Washington, \$4; St. Joseph River, \$7; Virginia, \$15; Nevada Mission, \$4; Montana, \$8; California German, \$9; North Carolina, \$3; Upper Mississippi, \$11; Alabama, \$4; Austin, through Miss Hoisington, \$2.75; St. Lewis German, \$26; Oklahoma, \$12.05; Conference gatherings, \$27; board and tuition received and expended in Homes, \$14,400. Total, \$15,651.51.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$15,651.51.

To Beneficiary Fund. - Adeline Smith Home. - Washington, Iowa, for Lucy Cobb, \$6.75. Total, \$6.75. To Albuquerque.—Augusta Crow, Hudson, Wis., \$10; Vesta D. Rice, Putnam County, O., \$3; Miss Lida H. Evans, \$10.

Total, \$23.

To Jesse Lee Home.-Mrs. M. D. Freest, Albany, N. Y., \$5. Total, \$5. To King Home.-Delaware, O., Monnett Hall, King's Daughters, \$14.10. Total, \$14.10.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Mrs. William Du Bois, 75 cts. Total, 75 cts.

To Ritter Home.—Prescott, Iowa, \$12.25. To Stickney Home.—Island Park, \$52.40.	Total, \$12.25. Total, \$52.40.
Total to Beneficiary Fund,	14.25.
To Special Fund.—To Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Mrs. frey, Olean, N. Y., \$1.  To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Armiger, Mrs. H. R. Savage,	Total, \$1.
Total to Special Fund,	66.96.

# SUMMARY.

# Receipts for General Fund.

CONFERENCES.		CONFERENCES.
Baltimore,	\$2,421 75	New York, \$1,158 08
California,	728 53	New York East, 649 58
Central Alabama,	15 30	North Indiana, 1,285 83
Central Illinois,	79 00	North Nebraska, 305 05
Central Missouri,	17 10	North Ohio, I,000 24
Central New York,	1,437 36	Northern New York, 1,218 46
Central Oliio,	1,252 30	Northwest Indiana, 382 92
Central Pennsylvania,	-1,035 09	Northwest Iowa, 1,597 34
Cincinnati,	1,750 40	Northwest Kansas, 40 98
Colorado,	455 62	Ohio, 1,189 74
Columbia River,	99 65	Oregon, 415 59
Des Moines,	262 60	Philadelphia 1,194 45
Detroit,	4,907 15	Pittsburg, I,I14 3I
East Maine,	36 25	Puget Sound, 221 02
East Ohio,	1,486 69	Rock River, 1,137 60
East Tennessee,	66 95	Saint Louis, 245 00
Erie,	1,095 72	South Carolina, i8 75
Florida,	67 75	South Kansas, 82 27
Genesee,	1,478 09	Southern California, 1,511 28
Holston,	54 19	Southern Illinois, 26 10
Idaho,	38 57	Southwest Kansas, 412 50
Illinois,	637 48	Tennessee, 31 23
Indiana,	728 67	Texas,
Iowa,	424 01	Troy, · 1,397 94
Kansas,	188 10	Upper Iowa, 2,004 99
Kentucky,	128 12	Vermont,
Little Rock,	6 00	West Nebraska, 78 80
Louisiana,	82 00	West Texas,
Maine,	484 45	West Virginia, 10 50
Michigan,	1,561 23	West Wisconsin, 228 82
Minnesota and Minnesota		Wilmington,
Northern	291 67	Wisconsin, 258 03
Missouri,	107 10	Wyoming 1,085 20
Nebraska,	431 43	Other sources, 1,251 51
Newark,	1,758.94	Tuition and board re-
New England,	1,946 64	ceived and expended in
New England Southern, .	1,708 29	Homes, 14,400 00
New Hampshire,	433 83	On notes, 11,850 00
New Jersey,	1,067 59	
New Mexico,	74 03	\$79,776 33
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Expen	ditures of	General Fund.
Paid missionaries in the		Paid Stickney Home, . \$669 63
South,	\$13,416 98	" Glenn Home, cur-
" In New Mexico:		rent expenses 275 00
Spanish work,	1,279 02	" Mothers' Jewels
Indian "	1,803 18	" Mothers' Jewels Home, Salaries:
" Utah,	2,576 31	Including salary
" Indian work in agen-		for matron last y'r 1,600 00
cies,		Current expenses, 2,200 00

Paid	Watts de Peyster			New York East	\$260 77
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	insurance, taxes,			Philadelphia,	
	and current ex-			Pittsburg,	354 04
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44	expenses,	1,922 48		New York office sec-	.0-
	Immigrants' Home,	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	6.6	retary,	182 00
64	East Boston,	1,130 31		General and Confer-	
	Immigrants' Home,	101 10	4.4	ence organizers,	1,420 91
6.5	Philadelphia,	494 12	1.4	Printing,	2,388 78
	Alaska, salary and traveling exp'ns's,	8=0.00	. 4	Bureau Secretaries, . Expenses of Execu-	396 05
4.6	Lucy Webb Hayes	S50 00			
	Training - school,			tive Board, in-	
				cluding clerical	
	salaries, rent, and	2 784 02		help, postage, and	
66	current expenses,	3,184 02	1.6	office expenses,	3,370 98
	E. E. Marcy Home, Chicago, cash,		+4	Interest,	1,007 03
	\$18.50; voucher,		. 6	Insurance,	603 25
		7 110 00		Taxes,	306 56
6.6	Pioneer work in	1,119 00	. 6	Small Bills as per re-	533 85
	Conferences, re-				262 0-
	ported by		. 6	ceipts, Homes—repairs, fur-	262 83
	voucher:			nishings, and	
	California,	479 25		curr't expenses:	
	Central Missouri,	3 60		Asheville,	01 10
	Colorado,	278 43		Adeline Smith	91 40
	Detroit,	3,668 51		Home,	51 60
	Erie,	13 50		Bennett,	45 00
	Florida,	45 11		Boylan,	400 00
	Kentucky,	42 77		Emerson,	375 00
	Louisiana, .	28 50		E. L. Rust,	269 00
	Michigan,	976 55		Haven,	900 00
	Minnesota,	125 59		King,	13 05
	Oregon,	202 97		Ritter,	215 50
	Saint Louis,	19 00		Simpson,	255 75
	South'n California,	117 34		Speedwell,	111 50
	Southwest Kansas,	26 45	4.6	ThayerCurrent ex-	111 30
4.6	Half dues to Deacon-	40		penses, \$75; Ex-	
	ess Homes-Con-			position expense,	
	ferences:			\$155,	230 75
	Baltimore,	380 38		Board and tuition	-30 73
	Central New York,	98 10		received and ex-	
	East Ohio,	8 40		pended in Homes	14.400 00
	Genesee,	161 06	66	On notes,	8,450 00
	Holston,	4 00			
	Illinois,	9 25			\$S0,966 73
	Michigan,	57 o8			13
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# Receipts for Beneficiary Fund.

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CONFERENCES.	CONFERENCES.	
Baltimore, \$366 27	New Hampshire,	\$161 00
Central Illinois, 38 50	New Jersey,	125 00
Central New York, 221 47	New York East,	26 25
Central Ohio, 349 95	North Indiana,	76 33
Central Pennsylvania, 272 42	North Nebraska,	71 76
Cincinnati, 191 56	North Ohio,	153 00
Colorado, 17 00	Northern New York,	346 62
Des Moines, 21 85	Northwest Indiana,	41 53
Detroit, 50 00	Northwest Iowa,	196 14
East Maine, 5 59	Ohio,	374 50
East Ohio, 700 01	Oregon,	17 16
Erie, 370 67	Philadelphia,	141 00
Genesee, 269 66	Pittsburg,	264 50
Illinois, 20 00	Puget Sound,	32 70
Indiana, 171 50	Rock River,	88 00
Iowa, 238 73	Southern California,	101 00
Kansas, 15 00	Southwest Kansas,	20 00
Kentucky, 81 00	Troy,	493 03
Maine, 46 50	Upper Iowa,	65 00
Michigan, 243 II	Vermont,	68 89
Minnesota and Minnesota	West Wisconsin,	112 00
Northern, 282 15	Wilmington,	120 00
Nebraska,	Wyoming,	122 00
Newark,	Other sources,	114 25
New England, 607 53	Const Boardes,	
New England Southern, . 294 00		\$8,412 88
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	Beneficiary Fund.	#0,412 00
Expenditures of Paid students in Homes:	Beneficiary Fund.	#0,412 00
Expenditures of Paid students in Homes: " Adeline M. Smith—cash, \$56.75	Beneficiary Fund.	\$120 25
Expenditures of Paid students in Homes:  " Adeline M. Smith—cash, \$56.75  " Alaska—cash, \$957.39; voucher,	Beneficiary Fund. ; voucher, \$63.50, \$7.65,	\$120 25
Expenditures of Paid students in Homes:  "Adeline M. Smith—cash, \$56.75  "Alaska—cash, \$957.39; voucher,  Albuquerque—cash,	Beneficiary Fund. ; voucher, \$63.50, \$7.65,	
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Expenditures of Paid students in Homes:  "Adeline M. Smith—cash, \$56.75  "Alaska—cash, \$957.39; voucher,  "Albuquerque—cash,  "Asheville—cash, \$40; voucher, \$5	Beneficiary Fund. ; voucher, \$63.50, \$7.65,	\$120 25 965 04 54 00
Expenditures of  Paid students in Homes:  "Adeline M. Smith—cash, \$56.75  "Alaska—cash, \$957.39; voucher, "Albuquerque—cash,  "Asheville—cash, \$40; voucher, \$5  "Boylan—cash, \$48; voucher, \$5	Beneficiary Fund. ; voucher, \$63.50, \$7.65,	\$120 25 965 04 54 00 44 00 91 70
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## General Cash Account.

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RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR:       \$932 75         Cash balance,       \$932 75         General Fund collections,       79,776 33         Beneficiary Fund       8,412 88         Special Fund       39,179 38         Borrowed on notes,       11,850 00			
\$140,151 34			
PAID DURING THE YEAR:         \$80,966 73           General Fund,         4,514 06           Special Fund,         44,198 09           Paid on notes,         8,450 00           Sundry vouchers (Frontier work),         1,907 98           Cash account overdrawn,         114 48			
\$140,151 34  FINANCIAL CONDITION AUGUST I, 1896:  Dr. Owing on notes,			
Local work received by voucher, \$13,679 82			
Comparison Four Years:			
August 1, 1893, Bills payable balance,       \$14,633 33         August 1, 1894,       " " 14,633 33         August 1, 1895,       " " 15,403 33         August 1, 1896,       " " 21,867 37			
Borrowed from Special Fund:			
August 1, 1893, Balance,       \$28,401 36         August 1, 1894,       25,370 56         August 1, 1895,       16,699 23         August 1, 1896,       7.338 79			

# BUREAU OF SUPPLIES.

CONFERENCES.		CONFERENCES. '
Baltimore,	\$2,451 75	North Ohio \$1,283 30
Central Illinois,	152 25	Northern New York, 3,409 25
Central New York,	2,022 00	Northwest Indiana, 338 95
Central Ohio,	954 00	Northwest Iowa, 693 60
Central Pennsylvania,	1,241 70	Ohio, 1,579 80
Cincinnati,	1,474 40	Oregon, 479 00
Colorado,	1,713 45	Philadelphia, 3,008 85
Des Moines,	221 95	Pittsburg, 2,312 55
Detroit,	2,735 05	Rock River, 2,203 20
East Ohio,	2,706 90	St. Louis,
Erie,	2,606 20	South Kansas, 33 10
Genesee,	4,266 25	Southern California, 374 20
Illinois,	1,586 70	Southern Illinois, 110 00
Indiana,	783 65	Troy,
Iowa,	1,025 00	Upper Iowa, 846 75
Kansas,	483 55	Vermont, 260 15
Kentucky,	63 60	West Wisconsin, 259 75
Maine,	1,648 25	Wilmington, 1,051 55
Michigan,	1,578 60	Wisconsin, 573 40
Minnesota,	442 35	Wyoming, 1,507 05
Missouri,	242 00	West Virginia, 92 35
Newark,	2,324 25	No name or Conference 21 70
New England	4,199 35	. 50 30
New England Southern, .	1,143 85	
New Hampshire,	587 00	Local work:
New Jersey,	1,763 00	Colorado,
New York,	3,924 25	Minnesota, 116 05
New York East,	1,579 40	New York East, 1,893 10
North Indiana,	1,241 95	
North Nebraska,	40 50	Total, \$70,684 50
		MRS. JAMES DALE, Secretary.

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# CONSTITUTION

OF THE

# Woman's Home Missionary Society

OF THE

# METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF 1884.

#### ARTICLE I.-Name.

This organization shall be known as the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

#### ARTICLE II.—Objects.

The aim of this Society shall be to enlist and organize the efforts of Christian women in behalf of the needy and destitute women and children of all sections of our country, without distinction of race, and to co-operate with the other societies and agencies of the Church in educational and missionary work.

ARTICLE III.—Organization.

Section 1. The officers of the Society shall be a President, five Vice-Presidents, a Corresponding and a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and twelve Resident Managers, who, together, shall constitute the General Executive Board, and reside in, or not remote from, the city of Cincinnati.

SEC. 2. The annual meetings of the Board of Managers shall be held in the city of Cincinnati, unless otherwise provided, and shall consist of the General Executive Board, together with the Corresponding Secretary and one delegate from each Conference.

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SEC. 3. The work of the annual session shall be: (1.) To elect the General Executive Board for the ensuing year.

(2.) To take into consideration the demands of the entire work of the Society, designating fields of labor, examining the reports of missionaries already employed, and selecting beneficiaries; to estimate the needs of the mission-fields, determine the amounts to be raised, and to devise means for carrying forward the work of the Society; to appropriate its receipts in accordance with the purposes and methods herein indicated; to arrange with the several Conference Secretaries the work to be undertaken by each Conference, and, until such time as the Conference organizations are complete, to appoint a suitable person to fill the place of Corresponding Secretary of the Conference work in the several Conferences.

(3.) To transact any other business that the interests of the Society may demand; provided all its plans and directions shall be in harmony with

this Constitution.

Sec. 4. In the event of a vacancy in the General Executive Board occurring ad interim, the place shall be filled by the Executive Board.

Sec. 5. The General Executive Board shall meet quarterly, or oftener, at the call of the President and Recording Secretary, and seven shall constitute a quorum to do business.

SEC. 6. The duties of the General Executive Board shall be:

(1.) To execute all orders of the Board of Managers.

(2.) To determine all matters referred to them by the Board.
(3.) To administer all the affairs of the Society between the annual sessions of the Board of Managers.

Sec. 7. The duties of the President, Vice-Presidents, and Recording Secretary shall be such as usually devolve upon such officers.

SEC. 8. The duty of the Corresponding Secretary shall be to make herself acquainted with the needs and opportunities of the mission-field, to correspond with missionaries and with the Conference Secretaries, and to furnish the Conference Boards with all needful information; also to secure from them the details of their work, which will be necessary to make quarterly reports to the Executive Board and annual reports to the Board of Managers concerning the condition and needs of the mission-field, and publish the same for the information of the membership.

SEC. 9. The Treasurer shall keep a regular account of the receipts and disbursements of the Society, report the state of the funds at the Annual Meeting and at each regular meeting of the Executive Board, pay only such bills as it shall direct, each order being signed by the President and Recording Secretary, and she shall make such disposition of the funds in her hands as the Executive Board may approve. At the close of the year the accounts shall be audited by a competent person selected for the purpose.

#### ARTICLE IV.—Conference Organization.

SECTION 1. A Conference Society shall consist of all the Auxiliary Societies in a given Conference, together with a Conference Executive Board.

It shall take the name of the Conference in which it is located.

SEC. 2. The officers of the Conference Society shall be a President, one Vice-President, and one or more Managers from each presiding elder's district, a Corresponding and a Recording Secretary, and a Treasurer (the Corresponding Secretary may also be the Treasurer). These officers shall constitute the Executive Board of the Conference Society for the administration of the affairs of the Society, and five shall constitute a quorum. These officers shall be selected at the Annual Meeting, and hold office till others are chosen.

SEC. 3. The duties of the Executive Board shall be:

To co-operate in plans for the permanent establishment of the Society within the Conference bounds; to provide for an Annual Meeting and arrange anniversary exercises; and to transact any other business that the interests of the Society may demand, provided its action is in harmony with this Constitution.

SEC. 4. (1.) The duties of the President and Recording Secretary shall be such as usually appertain to their respective offices, and to co-operate with the Corresponding Secretary, Vice-Presidents, Managers, and Treasurer

in organizing and conducting the work.

(2.) The duties of the Vice-Presidents and Managers shall be to organize Auxiliaries in their respective districts, and by all proper means to

awaken missionary interest and zeal.

(3.) The duties of the Corresponding Secretary shall be to attend the session of the Annual Conference; to endeavor to interest ministers and ladies in the work of the Society; to organize Auxiliary Societies in the various charges in the Conference, and, as soon as practicable, to effect a Conference organization in harmony with the Constitution; to conduct the correspondence of the Society with the General Executive Board, with Auxiliary Societies within the Conference, with such missionaries in the field and beneficiaries in the schools as are supported by the Conference; to forward quarterly to the Corresponding Secretary of the General Executive Board a full statement of the work of the Conference Society, and to present an annual report to the Board of Managers at the Annual Meeting.

(4.) The duty of the Treasurer, who may also be Corresponding Secretary, shall be to receive and forward all funds of the Society monthly, keeping a book account, and to make a quarterly report of the same to the Treasurer of the General Executive Board.

SEC. 5 .- Special Work .- Individuals, Auxiliaries, or Conference Societies may, subject to the approval of the Conference Board and of the General Executive Board, select special fields of labor, and provide for the support of missionaries therein employed, and they may also educate beneficiaries selected by themselves.

### ARTICLE V.-Auxiliary Societies.

SECTION 1. Ten or more women who shall organize under the Constitution and By-laws for Auxiliaries, and pay their annual dues, thereby become a Society auxiliary to the Conference Society, and are entitled to one delegate to the Annual Meeting of the Conference Board. And the pastor

shall report the collections of this Society at the Annual Conference.

SEC. 2. Auxiliary Societies, or local Committees, when there is no Conference Society yet established, shall report to the Conference Secretary appointed by the General Executive Board. When there is no Secretary in the Conference within the territorial bounds of which they are, they shall report to the Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary of the General Executive Board.

#### ARTICLE VI.-Membership.

The payment of one dollar annually shall constitute membership, and twenty dollars life membership. Any person paying one hundred dollars shall become an Honorary Manager for life, and the contribution of three hundred dollars shall constitute the donor an Honorary Patron for life.

### ARTICLE VII.—Relations to Other Branches of Church Work.

SECTION 1. This Society will engage exclusively in missionary labor in our own land, and it will work in harmony with the connectional societies of the Church.

a. The appointment, employment, and remuneration of its missionaries shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

**b.** The fields of labor and the general plans and designs of work of this Society shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

c. All the missionaries supported by the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall labor under the direction of the authorities of the Missionary Society, and if in a mission, shall be subject to the same rules and regula-

tions that govern the other missionaries in that particular mission.

SEC. 2. The funds of the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall not be raised by collections, nor by subscriptions taken during any regular Church service, nor in Sunday-schools, but shall be raised by securing members, life members, honorary members, managers, and patrons, by collections taken in audiences convened in the interests of the Society, and by other methods (such as fairs, festivals, lectures, etc.) which will not interfere with the collections and contributions for the treasury of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church; and the amounts so collected shall be reported to the Annual Conference through the preachers in charge, in order that they may be entered among the benevolent collections and published in the Annual and General Minutes.

SEC. 3. The Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church may act as the Trustee of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in all matters of legacies, and in holding for it real estate or other trusts, as the

Woman's Home Missionary Society may desire.

SEC. 4. The Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, which determines its work for the year, shall be so arranged that its plans may be submitted to the authorities of the Missionary Society for approval, at their Annual Meeting in November.

#### ARTICLE VIII.

This Constitution may be changed by the General Conference. Amendments to the Constitution may be proposed at any Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers by a two-thirds vote of the members present, a threemonths' notice of the proposed change having been sent to each Conference organization, and published in the Church papers.

### BY-LAWS OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

#### ANNUAL MEETING.

1. The President and the Corresponding and Recording Secretaries of the Society shall fix the time and place of the Annual Meeting, unless this

has been done at a previous Annual Meeting.

2. A committee of five, appointed by the Board of Trustees, shall prepare a program of exercises and an order of business for the Annual Meeting, and announce the time and place of the meeting in the Church papers.
3. All Officers of the Society shall be nominated by ballot, and elected

by ballot, in open session.

4. The appropriations of the Society shall be made by the General Board of Managers, acting as a Committee of the Whole.

#### II.

#### BUREAUS.

1. The mission-fields and departments of work shall be placed in charge of Bureaus, each consisting of a Secretary and such Assistants as are nominated by the Secretary of the Bureau, and elected by the Board of

2. Each Bureau shall have the responsibility, in its own field, of executing the plans and applying the funds as ordered by the General Board of

Managers, and supervised by the Board of Trustees.

3. The duty of the Secretary of the Bureau shall be to supervise the work, secure conformity to the rules for mission work approved by the General Board of Managers, and report quarterly or oftener to the Board o Trustees.

4. The Bureaus shall be: (1) East Southern States; (2) East Central States; (3) West Central States; (4) Mississippi; (5) West Southern States; (6) Texas; (7) Utah; (8) New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish); (9) New Mexico and Arizona (Indian); (10) Indian and Frontier Work; (11) Alaska; (12) Immigrants: (13) Deaconess; (14) Orientals; (15) Mission Supplies; (16) Young People's Work; (17) Local Missionary Work; (18) Lectures and Home Missionary Reading Circle; (19) Systematic Beneficence.

5. The Bureau for the East Southern States shall supervise the work of the Society in the States of Georgia and Florida.

6. The Bureau for the East Central States shall supervise the work of

the Society in West North Carolina and South Carolina.
7. The Bureau for the West Central States shall supervise the work of the Society in East North Carolina and Tennessee.

8. The Bureau for Mississippi shall supervise the work of the Society

in that State.

9. The Bureau for the West Southern States shall supervise the work

of the Society in Louisiana and Arkansas.

to. The Bureaus for Texas, Utah, New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish), New Mexico and Arizona (Indian), and Alaska shall supervise the work of the Society in these States and Territories respectively.

11. The Bureau for Indian and Frontier Work shall supervise the work of the Society in Frontier States and Territories not included in other

Bureaus.

12. The Bureau for Immigrants shall supervise the establishment and care of Homes and Industrial Schools for Immigrant women and girls, in

connection with the Atlantic ports of entry.

13. The duty of the Bureau for Deaconess Work shall be the organization and the supervision of such Training-schools and Deaconess Homes as are under the auspices of the Society, and the appointment of Deaconesses to fields of labor.

(1.) This Bureau consists of its Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, its Executive Committee, its Advisory Council, the General Superintendent of Deaconess Work, and two ladies from each locality where the Deaconess

Home is established.

(2.) There shall be a General Superintendent of Deaconess Work, who may be the President of the National Training-school. The Superintendent shall be nominated by the Deaconess Bureau and elected by the General Board of Managers, and shall co-operate with the Secretary of the Bureau in the management of the work; shall receive quarterly the reports from the several Homes, keep on file a full statement of the condition and work of these Homes, and endeavor to establish helpful relations between the several Homes and between the Homes and the National Training-school.

(3.) No promise of life support shall be made to those who enter upon the work after the age of forty years, or to those who shall have given less than eight years of efficient, consecutive service as Deaconesses, under the auspices of the W. H. M. S., the eight years of service not to include the

two years of training.

(4.) No promise of life support shall be made to those, who, at the close of their effective service, shall be unwilling to enter the Rest Home.

(5.) Any such Deaconess may be admitted to the Rest Home on the payment for her of \$200 by the Home of which she has been a member,

or by herself, or by her friends.

(6.) The Executive Committee of such Deaconess Home as receives support from the Woman's Home Missionary Society, on approval of the General Board of Managers, shall become a Standing Committee for its management, and shall report the work of the Home annually through its

delegate.

(7.) The Board of Management of each Home associated, with the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall secure that a report, as per blank furnished by the Deaconess Bureau, be sent quarterly on dates corresponding to the divisions of the fiscal year of the Society, to the Secretary of the Deaconess Bureau, to the General Superintendent of Deaconess Work, and to the General Corresponding Secretary.

(8.) We recommend that the rules of the several Homes, as to support of deaconesses, term of service, costume, age, or admission and support of disabled workers, shall be as nearly as possible uniform, and that the allowance for incidentals, for clothing, etc., for a licensed deaconess shall be eight dollars a month; all questions pertaining to the general interests of deaconess work being in each Conference finally placed, as by the Discipline, under the control of the Conference Board of Nine.

(9.) Cities and towns where such Deaconess Homes are located as are authorized to send a delegate to the General Board of Management shall have the right to retain half the membership dues of the Auxiliaries located therein, and the receipt of the Conference Treasurer will be received

and credited by the General Treasurer for the same.

(10.) Any person receiving aid from the Woman's Home Missionary Society in securing training at the training-schools of the Society shall receive this money as a loan, which obligation shall be satisfied by a term of service in the Society of not less than two years' service for one year's training, nor less than four years' service for two years' training, or return the money to the Society as soon as practicable.

14. The Bureau for Orientals shall supervise the work of the Society

among the Oriental peoples on the Pacific Coast.

15. The Bureau for Mission Supplies shall supervise the collection and distribution of clothing, literature, and such other supplies as may be helpful to ministers' families, Sunday-schools, and the Industrial Schools of the Society.

16. It shall be the duty of the Bureau for Young People's Work to awaken and sustain interest in Home Missions among young people; to organize Young Ladies and Juvenile Societies, and to secure the enlistment of Mothers' Jewels.

- 17. The Bureau for Local Missionary Work shall supervise the mission work in our large cities and towns, as begun or carried forward by our Auxiliaries in harmony with the local Church authorities, pastors, and Official Boards; the support of Industrial Schools, for instruction in religion, morals, temperance, and the elementary industries; and the employment of Bible-readers for general missionary work among the neglected women and children.
- 18. Local missionary work, for which credit for money expended is given, shall be entered upon only with the approval of the Board of Trustees

through the Secretary of the Bureau for Local Missionary Work.

19. The funds used for the support of city mission work shall be raised for that special purpose, and by such methods as shall not diminish the amount that would otherwise be contributed to the general treasury.

20. Churches and individuals furnishing supplies to meet the needs of organized Local Missionary Work may be credited for the same through

the authorized channels in the Bureau for Supplies.

21. The Bureau for Home Missionary Reading Circle, shall supervise the preparation of courses of missionary reading, and the organization of Reading Circles. Loan libraries may be provided for the use of ministers and students in frontier districts.

22. The duty of the Bureau for Systematic Beneficence shall be to promote systematic giving by the preparation and circulation of literature, and such other efforts as are adapted to secure this end.

#### III.

#### FINANCE.

1. The fiscal year of the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall end the 31st of July.

2. Auxiliary Societies.—The Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer

shall send their quarterly reports, as specified in By-laws for Auxiliaries. 4 and 5, September 15th, December 15th, March 15th, and June 15th.

3. Conference Societies.—The Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer shall send their quarterly reports as prescribed in the Constitution, Article IV, Sections 3 and 4, October 15th, January 15th, April 15th, and July 15th.
4. General Executive Board.—The Corresponding Secretary shall furnish the report

nish the reports specified in the Constitution, Article III, Section 8, as soon

as possible after the 15th of October, January, April, and July.

5. The funds of the Society, unless otherwise ordered, must be sent by the Auxiliaries to the Conference Treasurer, and thence forwarded to the General Treasurer, and whenever held by either of these officers, shall be deposited in a banking institution in the name of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Money to be expended for missionary supplies for frontier or Southern work must in all cases be raised as a special fund for this work.

6. Moneys shall not be collected by the employees of the Society for any special purpose, unless such collection is authorized by the Board of Trustees, and the purpose approved; and moneys so collected shall be paid into the General Treasury, and be regularly appropriated therefrom.

7. All missionaries, superintendents of Industrial Schools, and teachers in the employ of the Society shall present to the Board of Trustees, through the Secretaries of their respective Bureaus (not later than September 10th of each year), carefully-prepared estimates for their work for the

coming year.

8. Each Conference Corresponding Secretary is requested to come to the meeting of the General Board of Managers prepared to say what special

work her Conference will support for the coming year.

9. No officer of the Society, no Auxiliary or Conference Society, shall contract for the purchase of property, or undertake any special work (other than local work within its own territory) without the approval of the Board of Trustees of this Society, expressed in writing and duly certified by the signatures of the Chairman and the Recording Secretary of said Board.

10. The erection of buildings shall not be begun nor contracted for until the money that will be required for the completion thereof shall have been paid into the general treasury of this Society, or fully provided for, nor until the erection of the said building or buildings, and all the plans and contracts relating to the same shall have been approved by the Board of Trustees of this Society in the manner specified in the foregoing paragraph.

#### IV.

#### BUILDINGS AND CARE OF HOMES AND SCHOOLS.

1. The erection of all buildings for Home and school work shall be under the care of the Bureau having charge of the work, which shall determine the site, select the plan, let the contract, supervise the erection, and

accept the work, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees.

2. The furnishing of Industrial Homes and schools shall be plain, simple, and economical, and as carefully adapted to circumstances as possible. The purchases shall be made under the direction of the Bureau in charge, and the property shall belong to the Society. At the end of each year an inventory of property, and a statement of its condition, shall be furnished to the Board by the Superintendent of the Home.

3. Each Industrial Home shall be under the care of a Superintendent, who, together with the teachers and assistants, shall be employed by the

Board of Trustees and paid by order of the Society.

4. All the employees of the Board shall make, directly, or through their superintendents, as they shall be instructed, monthly reports of their work

as per blank provided, sending one copy to the General Corresponding Secretary and another to the Secretary of the Bureau in charge of the field.

5. Since the conversion and spiritual growth of those for whom we labor is the object of all effort, our instructors are required to work diligently and methodically to that end, through family worship, school instruction, personal appeal, and social means of grace, endeavoring at all times to develop sound and strong character.

6. It shall be the aim in our Industrial Schools to provide: (1.)

Such social and moral training as shall tend to make good neighbors and good citizens; (2) When necessary, the rudiments of education—reading, writing, and keeping simple accounts; (3.) Such domestic instruction as shall fit girls to care for a house, and prepare plain meals properly and economically; (4.) Instruction in dressmaking and cutting, making and mending the plain garments of ordinary wearing apparel; (5.) Tuition in nursing—the care of the sick; (6.) Kindergarten and kitchengarden training; (7.) Instruction in the cultivation of vegetables, fruits, and flowers.

7. It shall be our aim to provide a library for each Industrial Home

and school, to which pupils may have daily access.

#### MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE.

 There shall be a Committee on Leaflets, appointed by the Board of Trustees, to furnish information relating to the various Bureaus and mission fields, and literature in leaflet form, that will help Auxiliaries sustain their interest in our work, and upon application send such information out for use in Conference, District, and Auxiliary meetings, as will aid in the dissemination of Home Missionary intelligence.

2. The Recording Secretary shall give to the public, through the Church papers, a condensed report of such proceedings of each meeting of the Board of Trustees, as will be of interest to the society or to the

general public.

#### MISSIONARY CANDIDATES.

I. Persons who offer themselves for employment by the Society must give satisfactory answers to the following questions:

(I.) Do you feel that you are moved by the love of souls and the provi-

dence of God to take upon you the work of a Home Missionary?

(2.) Have you an experimental knowledge of salvation through the atonement of Jesus Christ our Lord?

(3.) Do you believe in the doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal Church as set forth in Part I, Chapter I, of the Discipline?

(4.) When and where were you born?

(5.) What are your domestic relations and obligations? (6.) Have you a thorough English education?

(7.) In what schools have you taught, and how long?
(8.) Have you knowledge of music, either vocal or instrumental? (9.) Can you cut and fit dresses and teach sewing and millinery?

(10.) Are you able to give instruction in housekeeping, including cooking

(II.) Have you had experience in the care of the sick?
II. The candidates must furnish satisfactory testimonials to the following facts: (1.) Membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church; (2.) Christian zeal for the salvation of souls; (3.) Good health; (4.) Educationafitness; (5.) Ability to give instruction in the common domestic industries; (6.)

Aptness to teach.

(2.) Each candidate is requested to write a letter giving a brief sketch of her life and her call to the work, which, with her photograph, is to be sent with her testimonials.

(3.) The testimonials of a missionary candidate shall be considered and passed by her Conference Board before they are brought to the Committee

on Missionary Candidates.

(4.) When a candidate has been approved by the Board of Trustees,

she may be appointed on nomination of a Bureau to a mission-field.

(5.) The Board of Trustees at its quarterly-meeting in May shall make a special examination of the work of the missionaries during the past year,

and appoint them for the coming year.

(6.) A missionary shall receive her traveling expenses from her home to her field of labor; also her return expenses when she is recalled by the Board of Trustees, and her salary from the time of arrival in her field. This salary shall not exceed \$40 per month.

#### YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

I. Young persons over sixteen years of age may be organized into Mission Circles under the general rules governing Ladies' Auxiliaries, with a membership fee of not less than fifty cents per annum. They may be under the direction of an older person, and they are recommended to choose a special name.

2. Young persons under sixteen may be organized into Juvenile Bands

under the Constitution already provided.

3. Children under eight years of age may be enrolled as Mothers' Jewels on the payment of ten cents annually.

#### VIII.

#### AMENDMENTS.

These By-laws may be amended or suspended at any Annual Meeting of the General Board of Managers; due notice of changes having been given during the first three days of such meeting.

# BY-LAWS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

[Note.—Under the laws of incorporation of the State of Ohio, a majority of the members of the body incorporated constitutes a quorum. Therefore eleven is the legal quorum of the Board of Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.]

I. The meetings of the Board of Trustees shall be held quarterly, or oftener, at the call of the President and Recording Secretary, due notice being given.

2. The Recording Secretary shall notify each member of the time and special

place of all meetings, regular and special.

3. The Board of Trustees shall organize by the election of a Chairman and the requisite Standing Committees at its first meeting next succeeding the Annual Meeting of the General Board of Managers.

4. At the quarterly-meetings written reports shall be presented by the Corresponding Secretary, the Treasurer, the Secretaries of the Bureaus, and the Chairmen of the Standing Committees.

5. The Board of Trustees shall appoint a Business Committee of seven, to consist of the President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, and three other members of the Board, with power to transact business for the Board in the intervals of the meetings of the Board of Trustees. This committee shall report all its action at the regular meeting next succeeding such action.

6. Corresponding Secretaries of Conference Societies, in attendance upon any meeting of the Board of Trustees, shall be entitled to a seat and

the privilege of discussion.

7. The Order of Business and Rules of Debate shall be as follows: (I.) Singing, reading of Scriptures, prayer; (2.) Reading of minutes of last meeting; (3.) Reports of the Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Secretaries of the Bureaus, Standing Committees; (4.) Reports of Special Committees; (5.) Unfinished business; (6.) Resolutions for discussion shall be presented in writing; (7.) Ladies speaking shall rise and address the Chair. 8. There shall be the following Standing Committees: (1) Business;

(2.) Beneficiaries; (3.) Missionary Candidates; (4.) Annual Meeting; (5.) Pub-

(2.) Beneficiaries, (3.) Missionary Candidates, (4.) Annual Meeting; (5.) Publication; (6.) Leaflets; (7.) "Woman's Home Missions;" (8.) Transportation; (9.) Mite-boxes; (10.) Bequest and Devise; (11.) Insurance.
9. These By-laws may be amended by a majority vote at any regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, notice of the desired change having been given at the preceding meeting. They may be suspended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

#### BY-LAWS FOR CONFERENCE SOCIETIES.

1. THE President and Corresponding Secretary of the Conference Society shall call meetings of the Executive Board when the exigencies of the work demand it, and shall also determine the date and place of the Annual Meeting, and arrange for anniversary exercises, unless these items have been provided for by previous action at the Annual Meeting.

2. The program for the Annual Meeting of the Conference Society shall include reports from the Recording and the Corresponding Secretary, the Treasurer, and the District Secretaries; the election of officers, of Standing Committees, and of a delegate and alternate to the Annual Meeting of the

Board of Managers.

3. Order of Business: (1.) Devotional exercises; (2.) Introduction of delegates; (3.) Appointment of committees; (4) Reading of minutes of last meeting; (5.) Report of Treasurer; (6) Report of Corresponding Secretary; (7.) Reports of District Officers; (8.) Reports of committees; (9.) Unfinished and miscellaneous business; (10.) Election of officers.

4. Each District Secretary shall present a list of the full names of her

delegation to the Recording Secretary.

5. The Standing Committees shall be appointed as follows: (I.) An-

nual Meeting; (2.) By-laws; (3.) Woman's Home Missions.

6. The Committee on Anniversary shall consist of the President, the Corresponding Secretary, and the Secretary of the District in which the meeting is to be held.

7. The officers shall be nominated by informal ballot, and elected by ballot. Vacancies occurring in the Conference Board ad interim may be filled by the Executive Board of the Conference.

8. Every Auxiliary Society in the Conference shall be entitled to a delegate for each twenty members, provided that no Auxiliary shall be without a delegate; these delegates, with the Executive Board, shall constitute the Annual Meeting.

9. The duty of each District President shall be to have general supervision of the work in her District. She shall confer and co-operate with the Secretary in organizing and visiting the work; preside at the District meetings, and endeavor to secure the favor and aid of the presiding elder and pastors. She shall report her work to the Secretary of the District.

io. The duty of the District Secretary shall be to co-operate with the President in the organization of Auxiliaries, Circles, and Bands; to correspond with and visit them, to arrange for public meetings, to send out blanks and receive reports, and to forward a report by the 1st of October, January, April, and July to the Corresponding Secretary of the Conference Society, and to secure a report from Auxiliary Corresponding Secretaries

for Conference and District Annual Meetings.

11. There shall be a Supply Secretary, a Mite-box Secretary, a Secretary for Local Work, and a Secretary for Young People's Work, a Secretary for Home Missionary Reading Circle, and such other Secretaries as the exigencies of the work demand, each to report as directed by the Conference Executive Board. Each Conference Society shall also elect a Manager for the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school at Washington, D. C.

12. The Executive Board shall meet in -- on the -

month, if practicable.

13. No membership dues or moneys obtained for missionary purposes may be used for local needs.

14. Auxiliaries shall have credit in the General Reports only for moneys sent to the General Treasurer.

15. There shall be a contingent fund for local expenses, to which each Auxiliary shall contribute to the amount of at least ten cents a member for each year, one-half to be used in Conference expenses and the other half in those of the District and Auxiliary.

16. As soon as practicable, each District shall be organized into an As-

sociation under the Constitution adopted by the Board of Trustees.

17. The District Association or the President and Secretary of each District shall be a Committee to arrange for a presentation of our work at camp-meetings held on the District. In case of their failure to do so, that

duty shall devolve upon the Conference Executive Board.

18. Any Conference that has held one or more Annual Meetings, and has its duly elected Conference and District officers, may determine its own methods of organizing Auxiliaries and the amount of remuneration of its organizers, provided that all its plans shall be in harmony with the Constitution.

19. The Conference Societies shall be held responsible for the direc-

tion and control of their respective organizers.

20. When the Conference Contingent Fund is insufficient to meet the expense, such organizers as have been recommended by their Conference Boards and appointed by the Board of Trustees may draw upon the General Treasury for their traveling expenses and one dollar for each day of actual service.

21. The accounts of such Organizers shall be audited each month by an Auditing Committee appointed by the Conference Board for this pur-

pose before sending bills to the General Treasurer.

22. The Conference Treasurer shall close her account with the Auxiliaries the —— of ——, after which all the moneys received shall be placed

in the next year's account.

23. These By-laws may be suspended by a majority vote of the Conference Executive Board at any regular meeting, and amended by a two-thirds vote of an Annual Meeting, the change being in harmony with the Constitution of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

### CONSTITUTION FOR DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be known as the ——— District Association of the Women's Home Missionery Society

sociation of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

ART. 2. It shall be the object of this Association to secure an Auxiliary in each charge on the District if possible, and to sustain interest in those already organized.

ART. 3. Every person who is a member of the Woman's Home Missionary Society on the ——— District shall be a member of the Association.

ART. 4. The officers of this Association shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, and such Secretaries of departments as are necessary to the promotion of the work. These officers shall be nominated by informal ballot and

elected by ballot.

ART. 5. The duties shall be such as usually devolve upon such officers, with the addition to those of the Corresponding Secretary, that she shall secure a report from each Auxiliary Corresponding Secretary on the 15th of September, of December, of March, and of June, and send a report to the Conference Corresponding Secretary by the 1st of October, January, April, and July. The Treasurer shall hold only the Contingent Fund of the District, which she shall disburse upon the order of the President and Corresponding Secretary.

ART. 6. There shall be an Annual Meeting for the election of officers and the transaction of such other business as may be of interest to the As-

sociation.

ART. 7. This Constitution may be amended only by the Board of Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

#### CONSTITUTION FOR AUXILIARIES.

ART. 2. The object of this Society shall be to aid in interesting Christian women in the elevation and evangelization of needy and destitute women and children in our own land, and in raising funds for this work.

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ART. 3. Any person paying a regular subscription of two cents per week, or one dollar per year, and 10 cents Contingent Fund, may become a member of this Society, and any person contributing five dollars per quarter for one year, or twenty dollars at one time, shall be constituted a life member.

life member.

ART. 4. The officers of this Society shall be a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Librarian, and such other Department Secretaries as may be thought advisable, who together shall constitute an Executive Committee to ad-

minister the affairs of the Society.

ART. 6. This Constitution may be amended only by the Board of Trus-

tees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

### BY-LAWS FOR AUXILIARIES.

I. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of

the Society, and to supervise its general interests.

2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to perform the duty of the President in the absence of that officer, and to aid in devising means for the efficiency of the Society

3. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to keep a record of the proceedings of the Society, and provide the pastor with notices of

meetings.

4. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the Society, to send reports quarterly of the condition and work of the Auxiliary to the District Secretary when the District Association is organized; otherwise to the Conference Secretary, and in the absence of such an officer to the Corresponding Secretary of the General Society in Cincinnati.

5. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect the dues of members, hold in trust the funds of the Society, keeping a book account, and to send the same quarterly to the Conference Treasurer, and in the absence of such an officer, to the Treasurer of the General Society.

6. It shall be the duty of the Librarian to provide and care for one or more sets of books in the Home Missionary Reading Circle. Five cents

- shall be charged for the use of any book returned within a month, five cents a week for all time additional, and the full price shall be paid for all books out over three months. These rentals shall constitute a permanent library fund. The Librarian shall keep a file of Woman's Home Missions and Annual Reports for reference, take and forward orders for the same, drawing upon the library fund for necessary postage, and for the purchase of new books. She shall keep a careful record and report regularly to the Auxiliary.
  - 7. Order of Exercises for Monthly Meeting:

(1.) Devotional Exercises.

(2.) Reading and approval of Minutes

- (3.) Reports from members of work done.
- (5.) Report of Corresponding Secreretary.
- (6.) Unfinished business. (7.) Miscellaneous business.

(4.) Report of Treasurer, in writing. (8.) Adjournment.

8. Once each quarter, if practicable, a public meeting shall be held, in which reports shall be read, addresses given, and every effort made to increase the general missionary intelligence and zeal in the special work of this Society.

9. There shall be a Standing Committee of three to provide literary exercises of a missionary character for the mouthly and quarterly meetings.

- 10. Each lady connected with this Society shall try to induce others to become members, and shall do what she can to add to the general interest, remembering in prayer each day the Society, its workers, schools, orphans. and missionaries
- 11. These By-laws may be changed or amended at any regular meeting of the Society, by a two-thirds vote of the members present-notice of such intention having been given at a previous meeting.

#### CONSTITUTION FOR MISSION CIRCLES.

ARTICLE 1. This Society shall be called the Home Mission Circle of - Methodist Episcopal Church.

ART. 2. The object of this Society shall be to interest the young people

of the Church in missionary work among the ignorant and degraded in our

own country.

ART. 3. Any young person over sixteen years of age, paying one cent a week, or fifty cents a year, may become a member of this Circle, and any person paying two cents a week, or one dollar a year, may become an Honorary member of the Circle.

ART. 4. The officers of this Society shall be a President, three or more 

shall be read and officers elected for the coming year.

ART. 6. This Constitution may be changed only by the Board of Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

#### BY-LAWS FOR CIRCLES.

1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Circle, and in every way seek to promote its interests.

2. The Vice-President shall take the place of the President in her ab-

sence, and seek to assist her in every way.

3. The Recording Secretary shall keep a true record of the proceedings of the Circle, and provide the pastor with notices of meetings.

4. The Corresponding Secretary shall carry on the correspondence of the Circle, solicit subscriptions to our papers, and send reports once a quarter to the Conference Secretary of the work of the Circle.

5. The Treasurer shall collect membership dues, keep a book account,

and send funds once a quarter to the Conference Treasurer.

6, The Circle may choose the work to which its special funds shall be applied, under the advice and direction of the Executive Board of the Conference Society.

7. There shall be two Standing Committees, Literary and Musical; one to furnish a Missionary Program, and the other to provide music for the

8. Mission Circles may give literary and musical entertainments in public, at which full reports of the work of the Circle may be made, that the sympathy and interest of the Church may be awakened and kept alive.
9. Each member of the Circle shall try to induce others to join, and

shall do all in her power to make the meetings contribute to mental and

10. Suggestive Order of Exercises for Monthly meeting: (1.) Devotional Exercises. (2.) Reading of Minutes. (3.) Report of Treasurer. (4.) Report of Corresponding Secretary. (5.) Discussion of plans of work. (6.) Program. (7.) Adjournment.

11. These By-laws can be changed or amended only at a regular meeting of the Society by a two-thirds vote of the members present, one month's notice of such intention having been given.

# CONSTITUTION FOR JUVENILE SOCIETIES.

ARTICLE 1. This Society shall be called the —— Mission Band of —— Methodist Episcopal Church. ART. 2. The object of this Society is to interest the children and youth

of the Church in missionary work in our own land, and to secure their

help in carrying it forward.

ART. 3. This Society, by virtue of its voluntary obligations to render material help in various departments of the work, shall be recognized as a lawful adjunct to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and shall make reports thereto.

ART. 4. The officers of this Society shall be a lady Director, whose duty shall be to take charge of and direct the Society; a President, four or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording and a Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer, whose duties shall be those usual to such offices.

ART. 5.—Sec. I. Any child or young person, with consent of parents or guardian, may become a member of this Society by paying yearly

twenty-five cents as membership fee.

SEC. 2. This Society may hold entertainments or use any methods for securing funds that are in harmony with Christian usages and the rules of

the Methodist Episcopal Church.

SEC. 3. This Society may support a beneficiary, furnish Sunday-school supplies, or assist in any department of missionary work it may desire, provided the work chosen be approved by the Executive Board of the Conference Society, or the Board of Trustees of the General Society.

SEC. 4. This Society may have affiliation with the Woman's Home Missionary Society only by contributing directly to its work in the mission fields, and can only have credit in the reports of the General Society for

money paid into the General Treasury.

SEC. 5. The Annual Meeting of this Society for the election of officers

shall be held on .

SEC. 6. This Constitution can be amended by the Board of Trustees of the General Society. Petitions for change may be made in writing, stating reasons for such request, and bearing the signature of all the officers of the Society.

# BY-LAWS FOR JUVENILE SOCIETIES.

1. The meetings of this Society shall be held on —— of every —

2. A Committee on Music, consisting of three or five members (at least one adult), shall be appointed for one month or more, whose duty it shall

- be to provide suitable music for the meetings.
  3. The Vice-Presidents shall each in turn be responsible for the entertainment of the meeting, by securing speeches, dialogues, quartets, etc., from their bands, and by obtaining the aid of adults as needed. And, together with the Director and the Committee on Music, they shall prepare a program before each meeting for the use of the President.
  - 4. ORDER OF EXERCISE FOR REGULAR MEETING:

(1.) Devotional Exercises.

(5.) Report of Bands.

(2.) Reading and approval of Minutes.

(3.) Report of Treasurer.

(6.) Unfinished and miscellaneous business.

(4.) Report of Corresponding Secre-

(7.) Program.

tary. (8.) Adjournment.

5. These By-laws may be amended with the consent of the Auxiliary with which the Society is connected.

#### FORM OF BEQUEST AND DEVISE.

its successors, and assigns forever.

Note.—Notice should be given promptly to the Corresponding Secretary of the Society of all Bequests and Devises.

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